

# ANDOVER TOWNSMAN

## At Town Meeting

### Some sewer subjects

By Neil Fater

Abby O'Hara stands at the end of her Chestnut Street driveway and points to an apparently innocent storm drain just a few feet from her property.

"That's where they were dumping the raw sewage. The end of my driveway was a pond of dung," she says.

O'Hara is speaking of an early March evening, when she says a sewer-line blockage forced workers to remove a manhole cover, allowing sewer water to flow about 25 feet from the sewer hole to the storm drain at the end of O'Hara's driveway. O'Hara has pictures of the evening's events.

She says it's proof that an

inverted siphon underneath Chestnut, between Whittier and Bartlet streets, should be replaced.

The town seems to acknowledge there's some problem, because it's asking Town Meeting to approve up to \$410,000 to take care of this siphon and do other work on the sewer underneath Brook Street.

"I know the town is aware of the problem, because when the town was working on it (Town Manager) Buzz Stapczynski showed up," says O'Hara. "I was very impressed."

But O'Hara isn't sure the sewer work should stop there — and she's not alone. There are

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## For learning disabled, it can be tricky

### Coping with college

By Rebecca Lipchitz

While Megan Miller and Lisa Daly both graduated from Andover High School, and both have similar learning disabilities, to date their college lives have been quite different.

Daly, a freshman at UMass Amherst, has found much less support than she expected from the learning disability program, while Miller, a senior at Colby-Sawyer college in New London, N.H., can't say enough good about all the help she's received.

While Daly and Miller had very different experiences in college, the schools are set apart in

another way. Colby-Sawyer tuition is nearly \$24,000 a year while UMass Amherst costs \$9,850 a year — a determining factor for many students including Daly.

But the Daly family did their homework on UMass programs for learning disability support services, and from their research and personal interviews concluded that it had a comprehensive program, says Lisa's mother Linda Daly.

"We were led to believe there was all kinds of support and help. Which there is if you're aggressive," she says, but a freshman in

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## At Andover High

### Another deadline missed

By Neil Fater

In what has seemingly become an annual rite of spring, a projected completion date for the Andover High School construction project has once again wilted.

While officials said all through March that the troubled project would finally be finished March 31, that date has come and gone.

"There's some disagreement," says Mike McCormick, senior

field representative for the town's project manager Mead Consulting.

"The substantial completion form was signed on March 17 by the architect and the contractor, but not by the town," he says.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says he's waiting for "affidavits from some people" and for some minor in-room ventilation repairs to be done before signing

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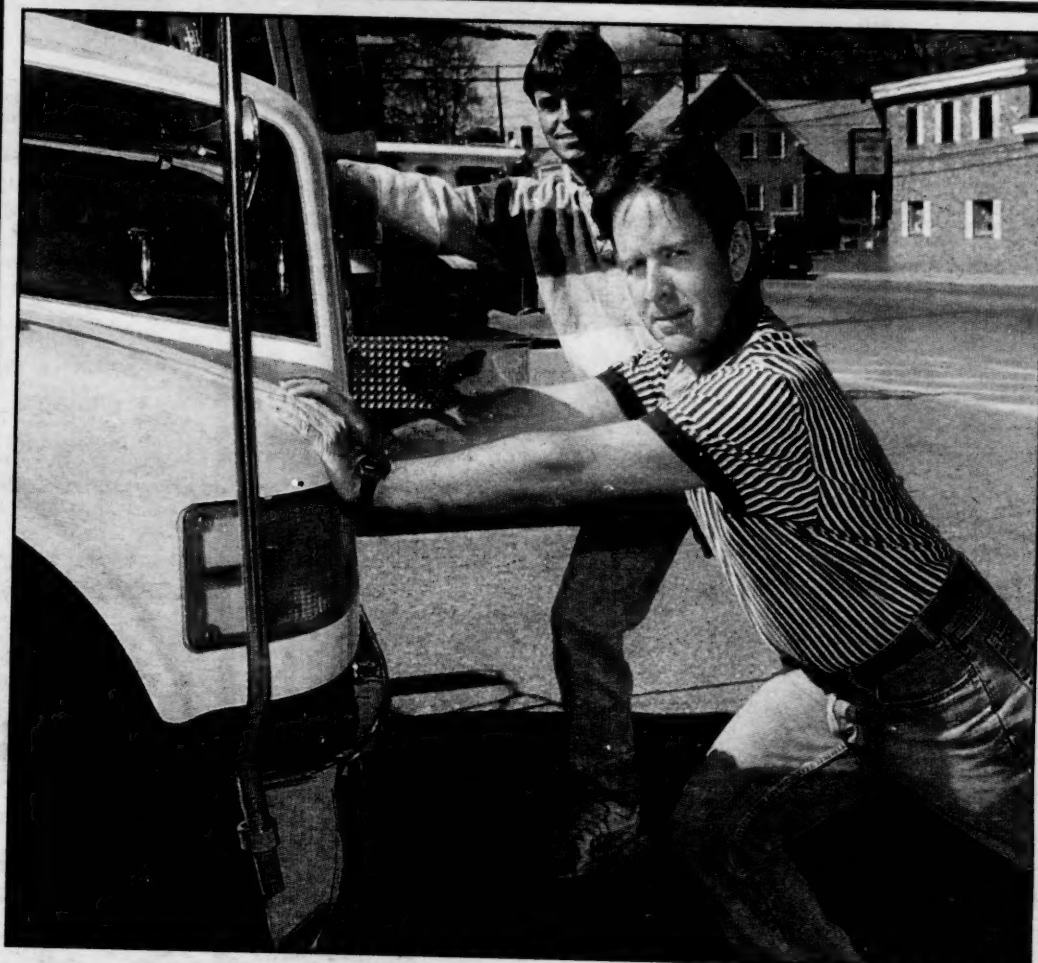


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

The final push — Andover firefighters Joe Cahill and Jim Dolan have been working all spring trying to push this truck back into the firehouse ... no, actually the two are just doing a bit of final stretching, in preparation for the Boston Marathon on Monday. Dolan has run five Bostons. This is Cahill's first.

## Road runners ...

### Getting ready for a Marathon weekend

By Neil Fater

Andover firefighters Joe Cahill and Jim Dolan are known for dealing with fires, not burning calves and thighs. But they'll be punishing their leg muscles Monday when they join dozens of Andover residents in running the Boston Marathon.

Dolan is used to the pain and exhilaration of the race, having run five Bostons, but Mon-

day's marathon will be Cahill's first. The Boston course is more than five times longer than any organized race he's ever run.

"I've just done local ones. The Feaster Five. That was it," says Cahill, who lives in Andover with his wife and three children. "But I'll give it a try. I figure I'm getting up

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# TOWN TALK



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

To Russia with love — Andover native and University of Michigan freshman Andrew Baron, shown here with friend and devoted pet "Dusty," can't wait to travel to Russia at the end of this month.

## Can you say 'microwave' in Russian?

While English is Andrew Baron's native language, he has been known to slip and accidentally say things in Russian — that is if he doesn't have a pachenya or yabloki in his mouth.

Baron, 19, an Andover native and freshman at the University of Michigan, just can't stop speaking Russian. He even gave up trying to sign his name in English since he never learned to write in cursive until he learned the Russian alphabet.

He's so drawn to the language and the culture that he's setting off for St. Petersburg in two weeks for a short intensive summer course in language and culture and a stay with a Russian family.

He did well in French and Spanish at Phillips Academy, and took Russian almost as an afterthought when he needed an extra course, he says, but Russian seemed to come naturally.

"It just clicked," says Baron, who was instantly fascinated by Russian culture and language.

"I just love speaking it and

being around people speaking it," he says.

Perhaps he's a natural when it comes to Russian culture because his heritage is 75 percent Russian (and 25 percent Czech). While no one in the generations of his family he has known speaks Russian, a love of Russian culture seems to have gone straight to Baron's heart — through his stomach.

Two of his favorite Russian words happen to be two of his favorite foods: pachenya (cookie) and yabloki (apple).

His favorite class at Michigan is his intensive Russian course that meets for four hours each day and includes discussion at the Russian lunch table where he can talk with friends without using English.

While he is as immersed as he can be in Russian culture at school (his dorm room is decorated with Russian flags and posters), he is most looking forward to his trip to be immersed in the real thing.

"Ideally that's what you want to

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Silberstein named to elder task force

Attorney Debra Rahmin Silberstein has been appointed by Attorney General Scott Harshbarger to a task force directed to examine the financial and professional issues facing elders and their families.

The task force was formed after recent media scrutiny on the explosion of the transfer of wealth from one generation to another, and the potential risk of fiduciary abuse or financial exploitation of elders.

The task force will assist Harshbarger in examining the various components of financial advice, investment planning and general asset transfer principles, identifying the areas that need scrutiny and where necessary, propose recommendations for oversight, regulation and legislation.

Silberstein, with a law office at One Elm Square, specializes in estate planning, administration of estates, probate law and related elder law matters. The Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Syracuse University obtained a J.D. after studying at Boston University and Hofstra University Schools of Law.

Her professional associations include the Legislation and Probate Committees of the Massachusetts Bar Association, National College of Probate Judges, and Massachusetts Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys.

Silberstein is a member of Andover's Council on Aging, a director of SHED, Inc., and a member of the Doherty Middle School Council. She lives in Andover with her husband and three children.



Debra Rahmin Silberstein

### Help clean the river

The Andover Village Improvement Society (AVIS) announces the acquisition

of property alongside the west bank of Shawsheen River near the Essex Street bridge. It is accessible from Shawsheen Road between numbers 11 and 29/31/33, and will offer a cool shady place near the river for picnics, fishing, or just a place to sit and relax.

Wardens Kevin and Judy Talbot have been appointed to maintain the property. Although they live in Kingston, N.H., they are active in the Andover Trails Committee (ATC) and Shawsheen Watershed Environmental Action Team (SWEAT).

To help return this area to its once pristine condition, there are two clean-ups planned for Earth Week, April 19-25. On Wednesday, SWEAT president Bob Rauseo will stop at the new AVIS land for a river clean-up from 3 to 5 p.m. He will be on his week-long "crawl" by canoe along the river. Then on Saturday, an all-day

clean-up is planned for the AVIS area.

A dumpster will be provided, and all the debris between the river and the homes on Brechin Terrace will be accepted. A place on Brechin Terrace is needed to put the dumpster for the weekend.

Call the Talbots at 475-6800 until 2:30 p.m. or (603) 642-3810 after 3 p.m. if you can help.

Clean-up volunteers will be provided by SWEAT, ATC and AVIS. Wild Harvest Market will also provide clean-up volunteers and food and drinks for everyone.

### For the record

Due to an editing error, a letter to the editor from Martin Epstein carried the wrong address ("Epstein doubts quote," *Townsmen*, April 9). The correct address is Candlewood Drive.

## NEWS CALENDAR

### Thursday, April 16

School Building Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, 160 Main St., Haverhill, 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 21

Board of Assessors, Assessors' Office, Town Offices, 9 a.m.

Conservation Commission, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

### Wednesday, April 22

Commission on Disabilities, second-floor conference room, Town Offices, 6:15 p.m.

Finance Committee, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:30 p.m.

Andover Planning Department, informational meeting on River Road construction project, Andover Marriott, Old River Road, 6:30 p.m.

### Friday, April 24

Andover Contributory Retirement Board, third floor conference room,

Town Offices, 9 a.m.

### Monday, April 27

Board of Selectmen, staging area for Town Meeting, Andover High School Field House, 6 p.m.

Contributory Retirement Board, Andover High School, room 107, 6 p.m.

Andover High School Council, Andover High School room 107, 6 p.m.

School Committee, Andover High School Field House, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board, Andover High School Field House, 6:30 p.m.

Annual Town Meeting, Andover High School Field House, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 28

Contributory Retirement Board, Andover High School, room 107, 6 p.m.

Andover High School Council, Andover High School room 107, 6 p.m.

School Committee, Andover High School Field House, 6:30 p.m.

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## Quote, unquote . . .

'Can't a curriculum be taught in a variety of teaching methods? We need to contemplate that.'

Sue Dalton, commenting on the state's rejection of a charter for the Andover Classical Charter School.

'I'm sorry it would affect the baseball programs. One group in town is affecting other groups in town.'

Selectman John Hess, explaining his vote against lights at the Deyermund baseball fields on Chandler Road, since the town is now facing a lawsuit for seeking to install similar lights at Shawsheen Field.

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learn in life: that there is more than one way to do something. There are things there you can't see here, and there is only so much you can learn from a book," he says.

Baron says he can't wait to embark on his trip to Russia, which includes a stay in St. Petersburg and visits to Moscow and Novgorod, but there is one thing that would make him leave to come back to America: Russian food.

As part of his Russian major at Michigan, he's enrolled in next semester's first Russian foods class, which includes cultural research and cooking classes all about Russian food and related customs.

While Baron says he's most looking forward to the class because he'll learn to cook, the course selection surprised his family and friends.

"I can't even make macaroni and cheese, and that's just boiling water. I'm all about the microwave," he says.

Baron plans to take on a second major, political science or philosophy, and is considering looking for work in the government on national security issues.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

## New Kids on the Block teach others a lesson

West Middle School students treated Andover first-, third- and fifth-graders to something different this week — a puppet show all about being different.

*Kids on the Block*, a puppet show that promotes disability awareness, was performed by West Middle School students this week in Andover elementary schools.

The show features characters including Renaldo, who is blind; Ellen Jane, who has Down Syndrome; Mark, who has cerebral palsy; and Muffy the dog.

Each skit in the play includes one character who has a disability and one character who does not. They talk about their differences as they meet the new kid on the block.

Children in the audience also get to ask the disabled puppets questions about their condition in each skit. Students in the third grade at Bancroft School who saw the show Tuesday morning asked the characters questions like "How do you get dressed in the morning or write?" "How do you play soccer or baseball?" "Do you have a regular bed?" "How do you know you have a disability?" and "Can you catch it from someone?"

The song that concluded the show called *Kids Are Different* was about how all children are different, and that a disability is something that makes a kid unique.

The students performing the play prepared by taking lessons in disability awareness and practicing every week since October, says West Middle School teacher Judy Piolunek, who

coordinated the program with Kari Hoffmann, head of the 766 Parent Advisory Council for special needs, and West Middle School health teacher Sandy Lunt.

They raised more than

\$6,000 to get the project up and running, Hoffmann says. It was performed in Andover last year by a group of Salem High School students, but this year, West Middle took over the pro-



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**Lessons in diversity — West Middle School students performed *Kids on the Block*, a play promoting disability awareness, for elementary students at the Bancroft School.**

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ject.

The cost includes the price of the life-size puppets (between \$700 and \$1,050 each), and curriculum materials for all the classes performing and watching the show, Hoffmann says.

More than 20 West Middle School students visit schools and perform the play, but they do it in small groups, so that the same students don't repeatedly miss class to make presentations, Hoffmann says.

The students performing Tuesday at Bancroft were eighth-graders Mike Kleinman, Stephanie Krivelow, Laura Goldstein, Kristen Moffitt and Liza Roberts; seventh-grader Kristina Araujo; and sixth-graders Laura Hoffmann, Meredith Schmidt and Caroline Giamari.

They agreed the best part of working on

the show was teaching the younger kids.

"They really get involved in it. People come up to talk to the puppets," says Kristina.

Meredith says the puppeteers, who wear black, seem to disappear into the background.

"It makes the characters seem so alive," she says.

Liza says she wanted to work on the show because she saw how some disabled students were treated when she was in elementary school, and she didn't like it.

"Kids who don't know say things out of ignorance," she says.

Laura says she thought kids learned from the program because it was entertaining.

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— Rebecca Lipchitz

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'Tis the season ... to be schmoozin', and Mike Duffy (center), GOP candidate for state auditor, made a stop in Andover recently for a cocktail party at the Paddock Lane home of Amanda and Lou Shipley (left and right), attended by about 25 local residents. Duffy was head of the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination under former Gov. Bill Weld.

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## A free woman in Paris — she felt better than alive at 40

By Rebecca Lipchitz

Cindy Efinger probably won't plan another trip as long as she lives. After receiving her surprise birthday gift: a trip to Paris, she discovered that the best way to travel is without a plan.

"Now, I don't think I'd want to do it any other way," Efinger said last week fresh from her trip, glowing like a newlywed.

Mark Efinger put the husbands of Andover to shame when he presented his wife with a dream birthday gift. He orchestrated a surprise trip to Paris for his wife to meet up with her old girlfriends, and spend some romantic time alone with her husband.

While Cindy thought she was being taken out for her birthday, she ended up at the airport where employees sang "Happy Birthday" to her on the loud speaker.

Her husband presented her with a package there including plane tickets to Paris, money for traveling, her passport and guidebooks. All without her knowing, he planned the trip and packed her bags.

He did "forget" something and ran back into the house before they left for the airport, Cindy says. As she waited in the car, he packed the cosmetics she had just used to get ready to go out.

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"It was scary" Efinger says of the beginning of her journey, adding that once one has children, such mysteries may be unsettling to the responsible parent, but she managed to keep her cool.

"I really trusted him. I knew he'd do the right thing," she says.

He did have some help. Several friends had booked appointments at her studio which they did not intend to keep.

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**Efinger — showing off a few of the top-secret vacation documents.**

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"It was like a slumber party and we were teenagers all over again. We had some really good, deep girl talks. Much needed," she says.

Efinger and her two cohorts, whom she last saw 10 years ago, had regular Friday night get-togethers that usually involved a little wine and often involved talking all night, she says.

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Efinger, a photographer, naturally gravitated to Sacré-Coeur, an overlook to Paris on Montmartre that has long been an artists' colony.

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Toward the end of the week, Efinger's husband joined her, and the two relived their courting days when they lived in Germany and spent weekends in Paris.

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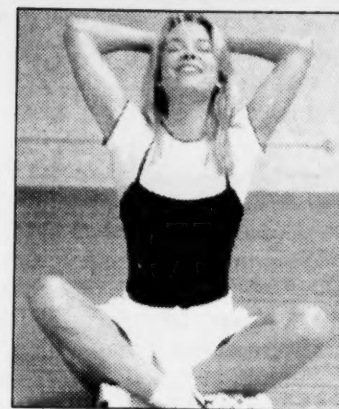
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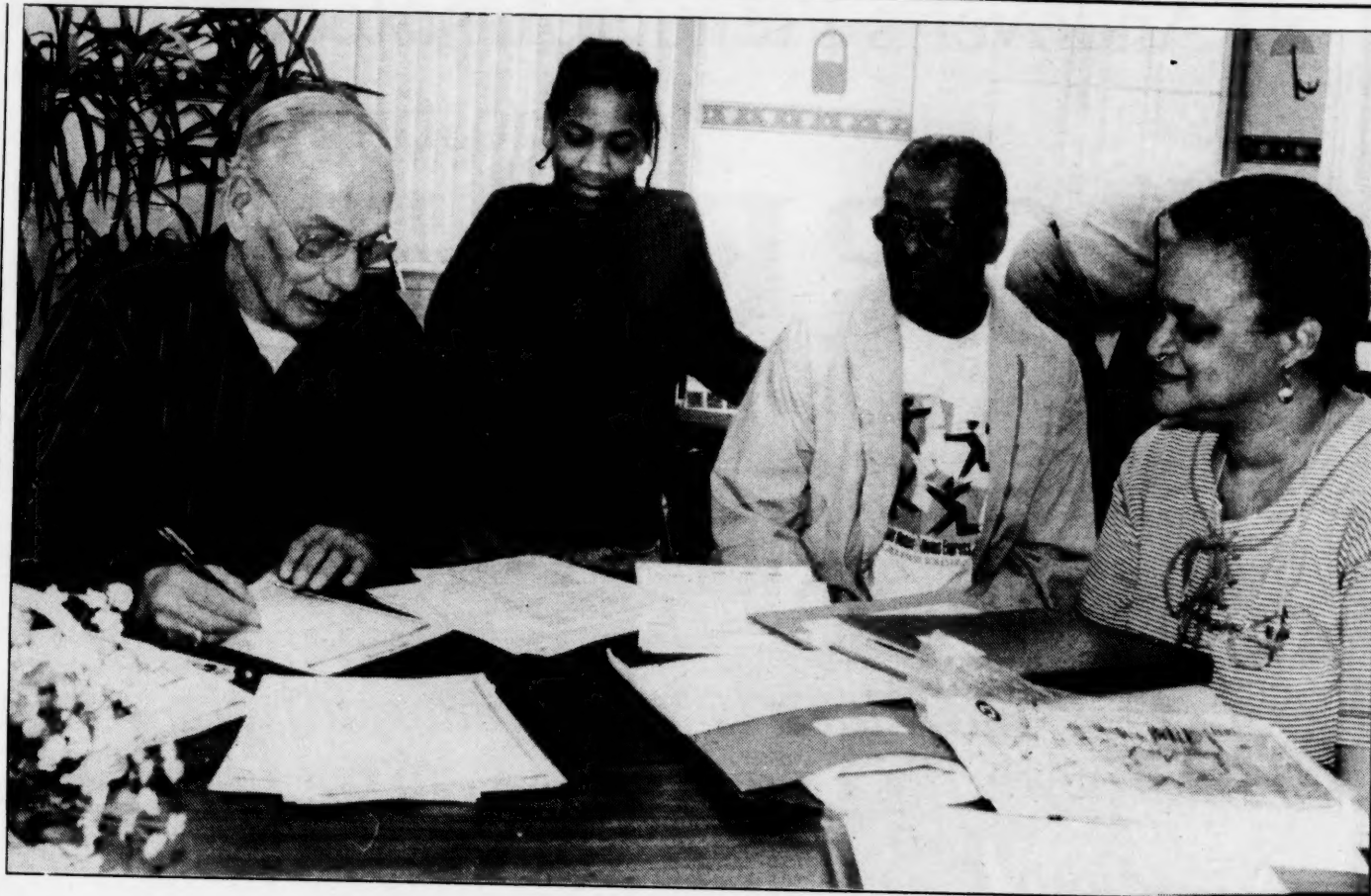


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And most of all, our pride in our son, who weathered the bitterness of rejection with dignity and awe-inspiring self-belief, is overwhelming.

As for the Shawsheen School, we agree that it is a wonderful place for most children, staffed by teachers who are probably as capable as those we have met at Bancroft. Certainly, it attracts families who are truly committed to education.

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Matthew and Joyce Crane  
6 Twin Brook Circle

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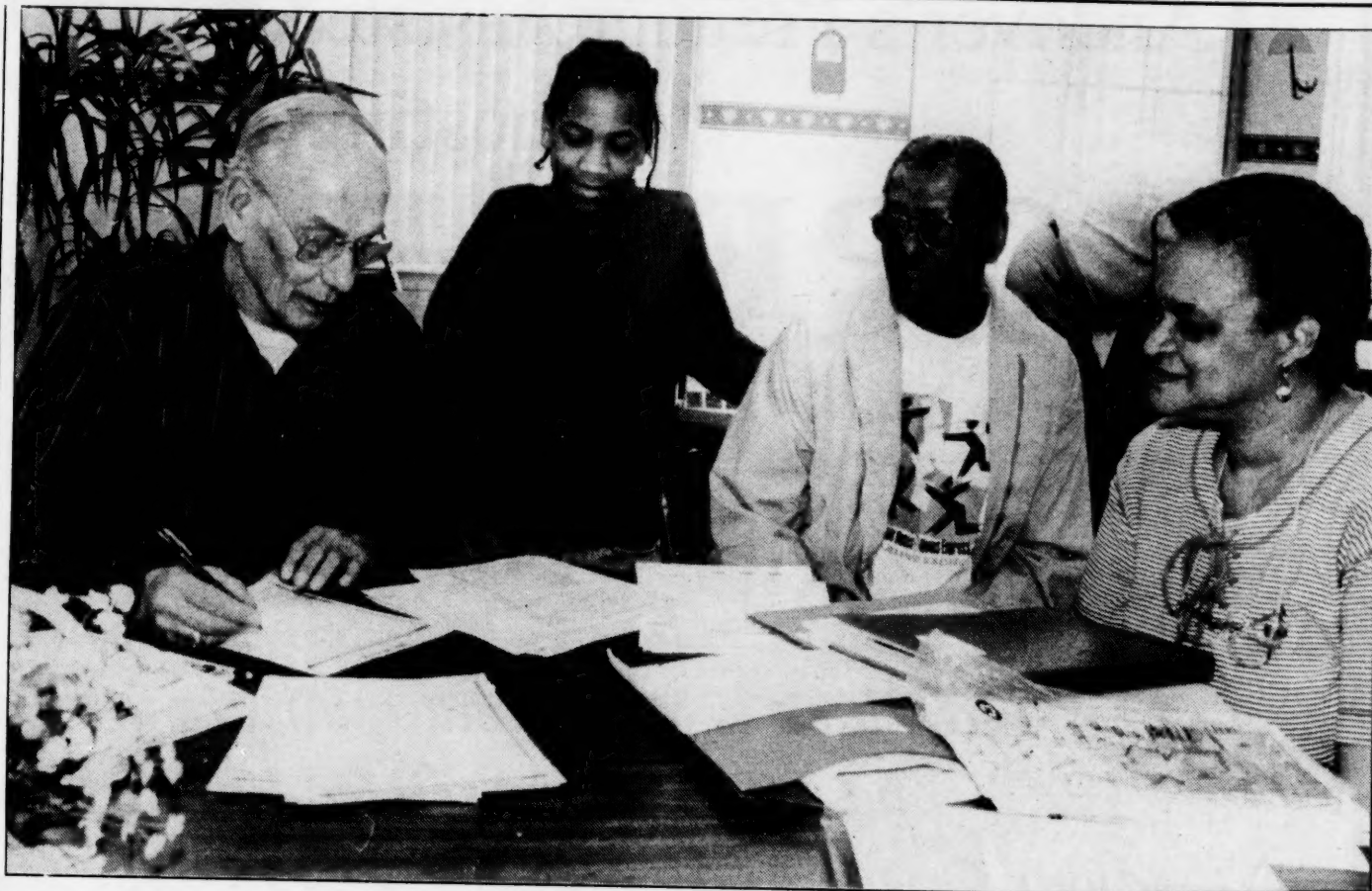


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Fortunately, our son was welcomed with open arms and acceptance at the Bancroft School, where he has thrived.

Surprise, surprise! All it took was an atmosphere of acceptance and nurturing. Thank you, Bancroft professionals. Our faith in the Andover public school system

has been restored. Our belief that there is no substitute for a great teacher is confirmed. Our gratitude for his skillful transition is boundless. Our understanding of how a positive leader affects everyone is heightened.

And most of all, our pride in our son, who weathered the bitterness of rejection with dignity and awe-inspiring self-belief, is overwhelming.

As for the Shawsheen School, we agree that it is a wonderful place for most children, staffed by teachers who are probably as capable as those we have met at Bancroft. Certainly, it attracts families who are truly committed to education.

But the question for us remains this: how is a public school allowed to do this?

Matthew and Joyce Crane  
6 Twin Brook Circle

## Doherty illustrates overcrowding

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Although the warrant article regarding the proposed new middle school has been withdrawn, the serious need for additional space in our elementary and middle schools remains.

It is imperative that our community continue its efforts and develop a plan to address this need in the very near future. Lengthy delay will result only in further overcrowding, the erosion of existing programs and, eventually, the quality of our children's education.

The situation at Doherty Middle School illustrates the efforts of administration and staff to utilize available resources, but the opportunities for further creativity regarding space have been exhausted. Currently there are eight additional teaching "spaces" that did not exist

in 1991. Four special needs classrooms have been reconfigured into two regular classrooms, as have the teachers' room and a portion of the media center. Special needs classes are held in former storage closets and in the media center. A portion of the clinic now is utilized as a classroom for English-as-a-Second-Language instruction, and a teachers' bathroom has been converted into a counselor's office.

Because of the size of the gym, only about two-thirds of those students scheduled for PE at any time can work there; the others use the auditorium stage (when not in use by other classes) or corridors when they cannot be outside. The utilization of media center space has resulted in the reduction of library facilities while the student body has grown.

Of 35 core subject teachers, only eight have exclusive use of a classroom. This is a particularly high priority with teachers, as shared rooms cannot reflect and reinforce the subjects being taught there. Shared rooms do not allow for the display of student work, where individual achievement is recognized. Nor do shared rooms and the resultant movement of faculty enable students to easily locate a particular teacher for questions, additional help, or to drop off projects.

The opportunities for parents to observe programs and exhibitions, which give students the chance to demonstrate what they have learned in ways other than tests, have been limited severely by the lack of space. This is particularly sad as middle-school children naturally are separating from parents, and we need these chances to see them interact in their academic and social environment.

Let's work together as a community and solve this urgent problem.

Diane Hender  
6 Millstone Circle

## A pi in the face ...

A couple of alert, number-crunching readers took the measure of the *Townsmen's* massive proofreading operation after scrutinizing our version of that inscrutable mathematical measurement called pi ("Pi pandemonium at Andover High," *Townsmen*, April 9).

We had it as 3.1428571. Wrong, says Bill Coderre, who offers proof that pi actually equals 3.14159265358979323846 264338327950288419716939937511 ... approximately. He cites the *Handbook of Tables for Probability and Statistics, 2nd Edition* (1966 1968) by CRC Press Inc., Boca Raton, FL 33431. ISBN #0-8483-0692-2. It's in Table XIII.1 Miscellaneous Constants, PI Constants on page 527.

Ping Zhou agrees, but isn't quite so ambitious, merely citing the value of pi as 3.1415926 ... approximately.

Coderre says for those who are "decimally handicapped," 22/7 is OK. But then, if you feed 22/7 into the calculator, you get 3.1428571 ...

All of which makes us feel like we're going around in circles. But then, pi has something to do with circles, doesn't it?



# BUSINESS

## Codman founder steps back

Dr. Philip Caper, founder, chairman and chief executive officer of the Codman Research Group, announced this week that he will relinquish the CEO title in order to bring in a new executive who can take the company from about \$9 million in annual revenues to \$40 million.

Codman, which began in 1984 in Lebanon, N.H., develops software for the health care industry that can be used to analyze trends in everything from hospital admissions to physician practice patterns to Medicare fraud. It moved to Andover in 1995 and now employs about 55 people.

"Phil was the founding visionary," says Gary Muldoon, Codman's vice president for human resources. "He saw the need for this kind of product — that physicians were no longer going to be just collecting from indemnity insurance plans."

But he says Caper also recognizes that Codman has become "more than a think tank," and needs a CEO with more of a business background. Caper, an internist, was on the faculty at Dartmouth College when the company was in Lebanon, did a stint on the staff of U.S. Senator Edward Kennedy as a health adviser, and is now on the faculty of the Harvard School of Public Health.

The company has been growing at a rate of about 40 percent per year over the past four years, and expects that growth to continue.

Muldoon says Codman's products have become more sophisticated over the years, and are aimed at bringing efficiency to the health care industry, "but always with the focus on outcomes. Phil has never wanted to sacrifice the quality of care for financial savings," he says.

Caper will remain as chairman of the company, and will continue to participate in running the firm.

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## Going wireless helps business grow faster

Brandon McCue has always had pretty quick hands. As a star quarterback at Andover High School (Class of 1988), and then later as a backup to Glenn Foley at Boston College, speed was a key to success.

It still is, although these days McCue makes his handoffs to customers, as owner and proprietor of Boston Gardens, a florist and garden shop at Fanueil Hall, Boston.

And these days, the lines at the register don't get quite so long, and business moves a bit more quickly, thanks to the fact that cell phone technology is now available for more than just gluing the phone to your ear while you're stuck in traffic.

The cell phone is, in fact, now available as a credit card swipe machine.

McCue's version comes from Bell Atlantic Mobile's new AirBridge Wireless Retail Solutions Group, which distributes something called a TRANZ Enabler wireless credit card processing system made by U.S. Wireless Data.

But corporate names and jargon aside, McCue says the bottom line is that it makes doing business both easier and faster, because instead of being tied to a phone line — which is stuck in one place and can get crowded, particularly on holidays — the wireless system lets him do business anywhere, with no waiting for a line to clear.

McCue has been in the flower and plant business for about five years, but his family has been at it for generations "throughout eastern Massachusetts." His grandfather started in the current location in 1946, and the present, 8,000-square-foot greenhouse at Fanueil Hall was built in 1976.

"After I got out of BC I was ready to go to New York City and Wall Street," he says, "but this looked too good to



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Power for flowers — Brandon McCue of Andover, owner of Boston Gardens at Fanueil Hall, does a flower deal quickly with his new, wireless, credit card processor.

pass up."

He says business is great, but is made even better by the fact that he can now do more of it since he is not tied to a telephone line to process credit card transactions.

"Basically, it's the same as moving from a phone in your house to a cell phone," he says. "You're no longer tied to a line, so we can take it outside or wherever we want. We service area hotels — things like that."

And he says the company's claims that it is three to four times faster than using a telephone line are true. "It always took about 15 seconds for it (the transaction) to clear," he says, "and that can be a long time with somebody standing there, with everybody looking at you, wanting to (make their purchase and) get out of there."

"Now it takes about three or four seconds. And that leaves us one more

(telephone) line free, which is really beneficial for us since this place (Fanueil Hall) isn't equipped with that many lines."

McCue says he's been using the new machine for about eight months. "Definitely I'm sold on it," he says. "This is what everybody is going to be using. And it doesn't cost any more than a line."

Bell Atlantic is clearly hoping that "everybody" will be using the wireless technology. A company press release says Bell Atlantic is targeting more than 3.5 million merchants — especially those whose businesses are mobile, including mall kiosk retailers, taxi/limo drivers, plumbers, electricians and delivery firms.

It notes that the "data packets" are transmitted on dedicated channels, and are fully encrypted.

— Taylor Armerding

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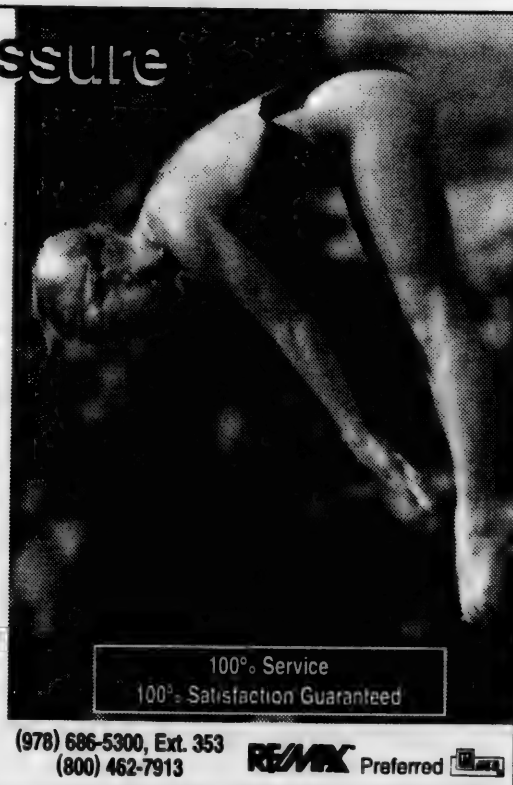
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# BUSINESS

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## Chamber sets annual dinner

Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce annual dinner and Ralph B. Wilkinson Award presentation to the Honorable Judge **Michael Stella, Jr.** will be held Wednesday, April 29, at Ramada Rolling Green, 311 Lowell St. Cocktails at 6 p.m. will be followed by dinner at 7. Governor **Argeo Paul Cellucci** will be the guest speaker. The cost is \$60 per person or \$600 per table of 10 and includes hors d'oeuvres and five-course dinner. For more information, call the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce.

## Chappel named director of Marland Place

**Carolyn Chappel** has been appointed the new executive director of Marland Place. Along with raising three children, Chappel has worked as a geriatric nurse and serving on several board of directors for elder and congregate housing.

Chappel started her nursing career in the early 1970s, after receiving her BSN from Rhode Island College. After almost 10 years of working with the elderly in a home-care setting, she began a career in assisted living. For the past four years she has worked exclusively in assisted living communities. Most recently she served as director at Heritage at the Falls in Newton.

Chappel says she chose to come to Marland Place for many reasons, "however, what most attracted me to join Marland Place was the guarantee made to each resident. We guarantee that once applicants are accepted as resident at Marland Place, they will never be asked to leave for financial reasons."

## Doyle a finalist for property management award

Princeton Properties of Lowell recently announced that **Ruth Doyle** of Andover, regional property manager, is one of three finalists for the Pillars of the Industry Award for best site manager in the country. The award is sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders and Multi-Housing News.



**Ruth Doyle**

Doyle's duties include managing River Place Towers, a 448-unit apartment community that was physically and economically distressed when it was purchased by Princeton Properties after foreclosure by the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency.

She helped initiate new tenant policies and participated in the \$4.6 million rehabilitation of the property, which resulted in the stabilization and repositioning of River Place Towers.

Before joining Princeton Properties three years ago, Doyle had 22 years of property management experience as a senior area property manager with Winn Management of Boston and as a property manager with Weston Management Company Inc. of Boston, Charter Development Corporation of Lynnfield, Peabody Properties Inc. of Quincy and William H. Dolben & Sons of Boston.

Princeton Properties has been acquiring and managing apartments and furnished suites since 1973. It has more than 5,000 units under management in 26 apartment communities in

Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine.

## O'Connor attends convention

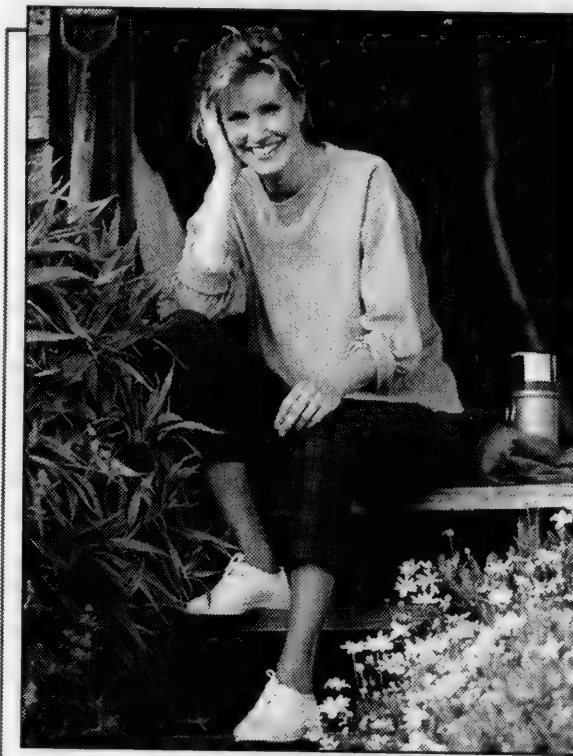
**Margaret O'Connor** of 22 Railroad St. just returned from the 25th RE/MAX International Convention, where she received special training at the five-day opportunity for professional growth.

The RE/MAX convention, "Above the Crowd," was a way of experiencing the educational, professional and networking benefits of the RE/MAX Association. It provided a way to keep pace with technological and educational trends in a rapidly changing industry. Featured speakers were internationally-renowned experts and personalities. The conference also had educational opportunities, with more than 150 sessions and numerous courses that led to professional designations.



**A better workout** — Young women from A Better Chance (ABC) of Andover participated recently in an exercise class at Silverado Athletic Club. The ABC students, their host moms and members of the ABC board of directors also shared ideas about ways to enjoy a healthy lifestyle and the importance of feeling good. The class marked the completion of Silverado's membership promotion, where new members who donated items to ABC received a free month of membership. ABC provides supervised housing in Andover for eight minority students from New York City, while they attend Andover High School.

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# NEWS FOR SENIORS

## Brown bag lecture

Mary Grinnell will present a lecture and slide show on "Women Impressionists" Tuesday, April 21. Handouts and suggested reading material will also be available. Cost is \$1. Preregistration would be appreciated. Bring lunch.

## Women's Health Breakfast

Dr. Eric Arvidson will speak on "Arthritis And You" Friday, April 24, at 9:30 a.m. The Harvard Medical School graduate is in private practice at Essex Orthopedics. Make reservations prior to April 22. Cost is \$1 and a continental breakfast will be served.

## Fix-it Shop

The next fix-it shop hours will be Monday, April 27, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Service is limited to seniors with small household appliances or items in need of repair.

## Supper club:

Reservations are still being accepted for this month's supper club, which will be held at Daniela's Restaurant Wednesday, April 29, at 5 p.m. Cost will be \$13 per person. The menu is available at the Senior Center.

## Woodcarving class

An eight-week woodcarving session will begin Monday, April 27, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$15. The instructor is Fred Arakelian. Some carving experience is helpful, and participants must supply their own materials.

## Movie matinee

*Housesitter*, a comedy starring Goldie Hawn and Steve Martin, will be shown Monday, April 27. Movies begin at 12:30 p.m. There is no charge thanks to Andover Video.

## Men's breakfast tomorrow

Breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by Norman Ritchie's display and presentation on his 30-year collection of *Time* magazine covers. Reservations may be made by calling the center. Cost is \$3.

## Musical coming

*Bon Voyage With The Varkas*, a Broadway-style musical, will be performed Wednesday, May 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Old Town Hall. Tickets will be available on an advance purchase basis only and are \$5 per person. Drop in at the center to get tickets.

## Boston Ballet trip

A block of 25 tickets have been

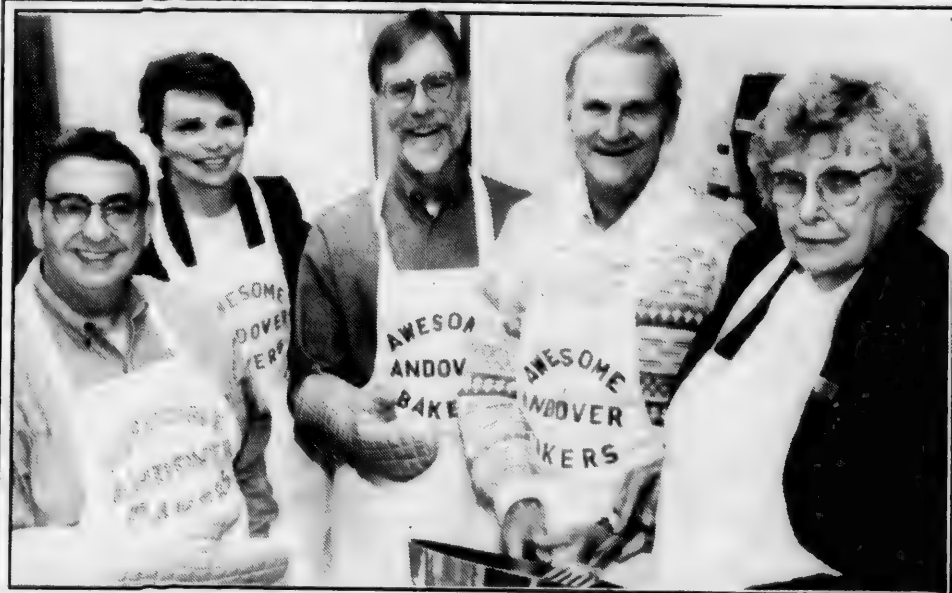


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**They're awesome — The "Awesome Andover Bakers,"** including (from left) John Andreadis, Senior Center Coordinator Jeanne Madden, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, Selectmen Chairman Bill Downs and Dorothy Bresnahan, get ready for the Center's open house and pancake breakfast May 2, to kick off Older Americans Month. Tickets are \$3 for seniors and those under 12, \$4 for others.

reserved for a special production of *Swan Lake* at the Wang Center Wednesday, May 13, at noon. Ticket price, which includes bus transportation from the center, is \$38 per person. Tick-

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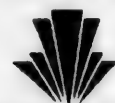
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## Andover enters unchartered waters

By Rebecca Lipchitz

The state Department of Education last week voted not to award a charter to the Andover Classical Charter School on the grounds that some of their proposed teaching methods were inconsistent with their curriculum.

The state granted none of the five commonwealth charters available this year after their initial round of awards. They did award one Horace Mann charter school, or school that operates under the local government and not under a separate school committee.

Susan Dalton, who spearheaded the move to open a new grades 5-8 middle school at the Franciscan Center on River Road, says the Board of Education took exception to one phrase in the application: "Students learn best when they construct their own knowledge."

The phrase was considered "progressive," and therefore inconsistent with the proposed classical education.

Dalton says the application proposed that a variety of teaching styles be used with the traditional sequential curriculum designed by E.D. Hirsch, who wrote

a letter in support of the charter.

The letter specifically noted that the teaching styles proposed were not inconsistent with the curriculum, Dalton says, but she refused to provide the *Townsmen* with a copy of the letter.

"I think there's a strong philosophical difference held by the Department of Ed. There were no teaching practices we suggested that don't go on in towns across Massachusetts," she says.

Dalton says she was especially confused by the ruling because the state-mandated curriculum frameworks used in every Massachusetts school are based on the E.D. Hirsch knowledge sequence or "Virginia Model."

"Can't a curriculum be taught in a variety of teaching methods? We need to contemplate that," she says.

While the charter had solid support from the community for a "back to basics alternative" school, Dalton says they group hasn't formulated any plans to apply again next year.

"Certainly parents who were interested were disappointed. We're trying to assess the sentiment in the community for exploring alternatives. We're open to suggestions," she says.

Scott Hamilton of the Charter School Office at the Department of Education had not return calls to the *Townsmen* by press time.

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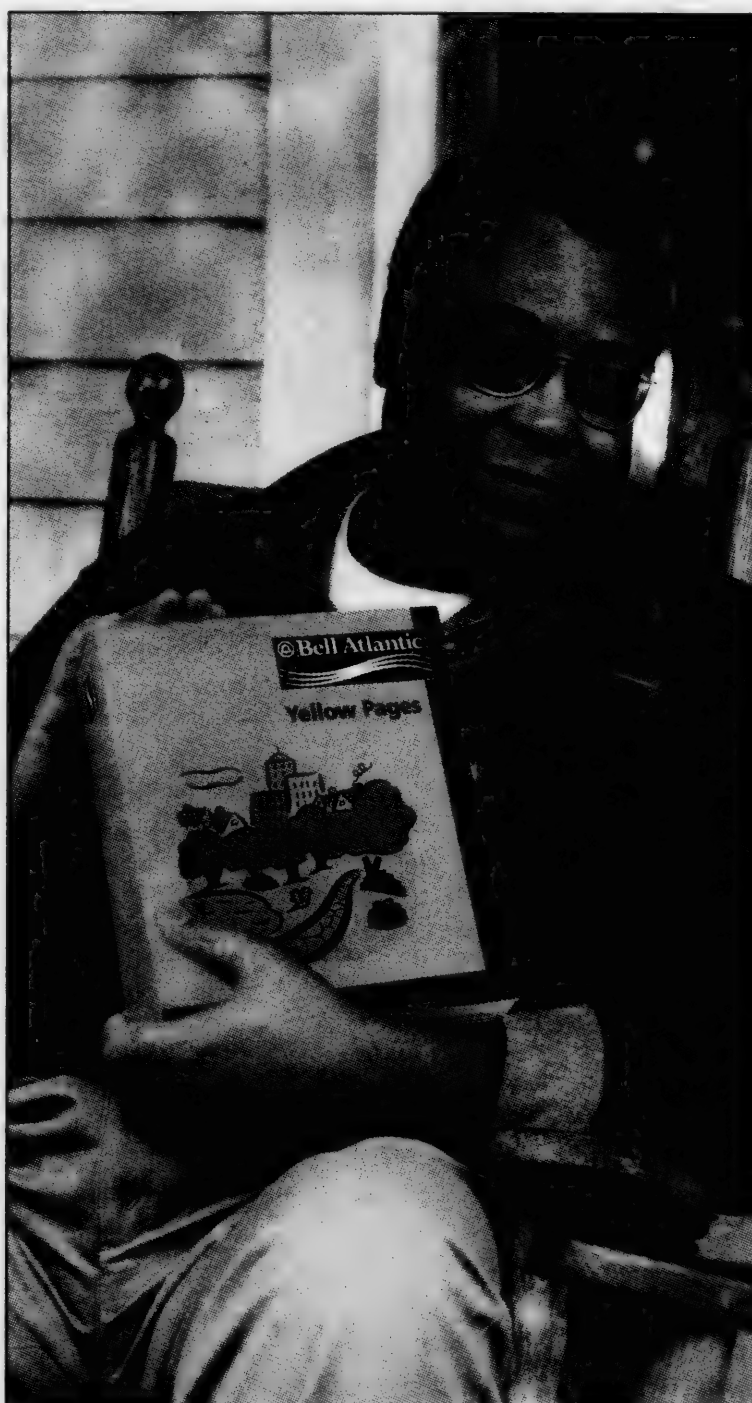
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## Eating ...

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just realistic. And I'm not complaining. I'm alive.

In November when I started my second round of antibiotics, I started to have stomach problems. At first I had cramps, diarrhea and a little nausea. Thinking I had stomach flu, I began to eat bland foods on my general practitioner's advice. For almost two months I ate mostly yogurt, rice, bananas, potatoes and white bread. That was about all I could handle. Each time I thought I was better and added something like vegetables or fruit to my diet, I'd crash and get an upset stomach again.

When I had cancer I did a great deal of research and ended up meditating, using visualizations, and using some natural remedies. I finally realized it was time for me to return to my holistic ways and do some of my own doctoring. In the natural food store I'd look up "stomach" and "digestive problems" and read. I talked with cancer friends who often have to take antibiotics. I began to take acidophilus (the beneficial micro-organism that's in some yogurt) and a probiotic. I even added a few ounces a

day of aloe vera juice, which apparently heals the inside of your stomach the way it can heal skin wounds on the outside.

No I haven't gone loco, I'm just taking charge and exercising some control over my body. It was a challenge and the rewards were great. I was finally feeling better. I began to get back to a more normal diet, but now I didn't have the nerve to eat the usual sugar and other foods with useless calories. I stopped drinking coffee. I am rarely eating cheese, only "fake" cheese made from tofu or brown rice flour. If you aren't eating the bad stuff, all this nutritious food tastes good. A banana, for example, is a sweet treat.

I don't drink sodas, haven't for several years. I eat a lot of fruits and vegetables, lots of tofu and I make a lot of soup. I drink smoothies I make in my blender from vanilla yogurt, a banana, whatever fruit looks good and maybe even a little wheat germ, which you can't even taste. Recently I made soup from sautéed onions (in water, not butter or oil), baked sweet potatoes, turmeric, and mashed tofu, all blended. It was wonderful.

No one ever told me that antibiotics can upset the bacterial balance in your stomach. By the time I went to a gastroenterologist, I was nearly well. He was impressed with

what I'd done, saying he, too, had learned to take acidophilus for an upset stomach. When I told him I'd returned to acupuncture since having this stomach problem, he said, "I don't know anything about that. I'm sorry. I can't comment on that."

OK, at least he's come as far

as approving the use of acidophilus. I'll use what he knows, add what I know and what I'm learning, and feel like I can make a difference in healing myself. Let's just hope I can remember what I know!

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Perry Colmore is former editor of the Townsman.














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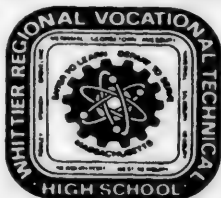
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# Could Shawsheen fight leave other fields in the dark?

By Neil Fater

The Shawsheen residents who filed a lawsuit to shut out the lights for soccer at the Shawsheen fields could leave Little League baseball in the dark too.

That, at least, is the fear of Selectman John Hess, who abstained from supporting the installation of new 60-foot light towers across town at Chandler Road's Deyermund baseball fields.

"I have to question whether or not we can approve these lights. We're under a lawsuit," said Hess at Monday night's selectmen's meeting. "I'm sorry it would affect the baseball programs. One group in town is affecting other groups in town."

Hess said he's worried the suit brought by Shawsheen residents could prove such lights are illegal in residentially-zoned areas throughout town.

Shawsheen residents filed a petition in state Land Court last week, saying they believe 60-foot lights would violate the current zoning of their neighborhood.

However, 60-foot light have illuminated one Deyermund field since 1993, and the proposed new lights would illuminate the second baseball diamond there, said Ted Witman, Andover Little League representative.

"We'd like to put the lights in at the end of June right after school, before we start the summer program," said Witman.

Hess said he supports lights for Little League baseball but "I think it's a procedural question for the town."

The rest of the board voted to approve and support the installation of the new 60-foot light

towers.

"I'm sort of tired of running to lawyers about everything we do," said Larry Larsen. "Government by lawyers is the most unfortunate government indeed."

## Shawsheen meeting canned

Selectmen will need a lawyer to handle the Shawsheen issue, however,

and Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski is already taking his cue from one.

On the advice of Town Counsel Tom Urbelis, Stapczynski canceled an April 14 meeting of Shawsheen residents, town officials and soccer association representatives. The group was to recommend hours the lights should be used and address other problems nighttime soccer might cause.

But the cancellation of this meeting did not particularly bother some Shawsheen residents who were notified by Stapczynski.

"It's very bizarre," said David McDermitt, the spokesman for the anti-lights group. "Several of us in the community received this letter, but none of us had been advised there was a meeting in the first place."

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# SCHOOLTALK



Author/illustrator **Laura L. Seeley** spent Friday, April 3, with the children of **Shawsheen School**, serving as an example of the phrase "local girl makes good." Although she lives in Atlanta, Ga., Seeley grew up in Andover. She brought along her mother, Andover resident **Gail Seeley**, whom she was visiting.

Seeley introduced her mom to the children, several of whom are neighbors.

The artist also brought slides

◀ **Homegrown author/illustrator visits Shawsheen School** — At left, **Laura Seeley** of Atlanta, Ga., and formerly of Andover, talks with **Shawsheen PTO** cultural events coordinators **Jan Burkhard** and her son **Bryan** (center), and **Katy Johnson** and her son **Nathan** (right).

Photo by Carol Van Doren

showing parts of the publishing process, sketches of how her characters have developed over the years, stories about how she works, and several of her published books, which include *The Magical Moonballs*, *The Book of Shadow Boxes*, *McSpot's Hidden Spots*, and *Agatha's Featherbed*. Seeley told the children, "An artist has to be observant," and described the process of making many rough drafts to arrive at a finished idea before beginning to paint. She handed out pencils and paper and led the students and their teachers through the step-by-step process of drawing two animal characters from her books. She described the use of basic shapes, light and shadow, and "shine circles" as everyone worked together to create take-home art.

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## Local students named to winter trimester honor roll at Phillips Academy

Phillips Academy has announced the names of students on the honor roll for the winter trimester. To be named to the honor roll, students must maintain at least a 5-point grade average on a 6-point scale.

Andover students are:

Justin Accomando '99, son of Edward Accomando and Sheila Prout

Jeremy Adams '99, son of Dr. Kenneth and Anita Adams  
Elizabeth Asch '01, daughter of Drs. Alexander Asch and Rhonda Fogle

Taliser Avery '98, daughter of Vincent and Anne Avery

Eric Bakkensen '01, son of Ralph and Cathy Bakkensen

Kimberly Ballard-Perrin '98, daughter of Dr. Robert Perrin and Leslie Ballard

Jacob Berman '98, son of Dr. David and Mary Berman

Eliza Bobek '98, daughter of Robert and Christine Bobek

Rives Borland '99, son of Myles and Linda Borland

Matthew Broude '00, son of Paul and Susan Broude

Kate Burke-Wallace '00, daughter of Robert Burke and Sally Wallace

Andrea Campbell '99, daughter of Michael and Mary Campbell

Emily Carter '00, daughter of Stephen and Adela Carter

Katherine Casey '00, daughter of Michael and Kathleen Casey

Daniel Chen '99, son of Frank and Jennifer Chen

Allison Colbert '01, daughter of John and Joan Colbert

Hannah Cole '98, daughter of Michael and Wendy Cole

Andrew Cotton '99, son of Joe and Janice Cotton

Tyler Cowan '99, son of Douglas and Posie Cowan

Raj Dandage '98, son of Dr. Subhash and Kanchan Dandage

Rebecca Dann '01, daughter of Ronald and Carolyn Dann

Andrew DeLollis '01, son of Drs. Donald and Rita DeLollis

Philip Delude '00, son of David and Cathryn Delude

Gregory Dennis '98, son of Jeffrey and Jeanne Dennis

Christopher Diamond '98, and Jeffrey Diamond '01, sons of Rev. James and Barbara Diamond

Stephen Dietz '98, son of David and Katherine Dietz

Carl Dietz '00, son of David and Katherine Dietz

Bernadette Doykos '00, daughter of John and Joanna Doykos

Carrie English '99, daughter of Edward and Karen English

Brian Faulk '00, son of Rick and Kathy Faulk

Justin Fay '99, son of Diana Fay, and Thomas Fay, Seabrook, N.H.

Biana Fay '00, daughter of Victor and Larisa Fay

Allison Ferranti '98, daughter of William and Carol Ferranti

Alan Ginsberg '00, son of Larry and Rena Ginsberg

Naveen Goela '99, and Vikas Goela '01, sons of Dr. Jitendra

and Geeta Goela

Abbey Goldstein '98, daughter of Gary and Dr. Janice Goldstein

Andrew Gossard '00, son of Dr. David and Jane Gossard

Lindsay Hanna '01, daughter of Kim and Patricia Hanna

Caitlin Henningsen '01, daughter of Victor Henningsen and Susan McCaslin

Abbi Hermosa '99, daughter of Luis and Jane Hermosa

Thomas Hodgson '99, son of Thomas and Susan Hodgson

Yeechin Huang '98, daughter of James and Patricia Huang

Melinda Hung '01, daughter of Simon and Faye Hung

Ethan Jacobs '99, son of Norman and Irene Jacobs

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Aaron Litvin '00, son of Gary and Maria Litvin

Sonal Malpani '99, daughter of Dr. Jugal and Sumitra Malpani

Katherine Mason '00, daughter of Martin Mason and Virginia McDaniel

Christina McDonough '98, daughter of Dr. Carol McDonough

Patrick Morrissey '00, son of Richard and Jane Morrissey

Michael Murphy '00, son of Dr. Stephen and Betsy Murphy

Mistina Muscatel '01, daughter of John and Barbara Muscatel

James Noonan '00, son of James and Mary Noonan

Beibhinn O'Donoghue '99, daughter of Geoff and Mary O'Donoghue

Jessica Olans '01, daughter of Dr. Richard and Rita Olans

Vrylena Olney '00, daughter of Susan Faxon, and Peter Olney, Hampton, N.H.

Kelsey Peterson '01, daughter of Scott and Frances Peterson

Justin Pytko '00, son of Stephen and Linda Pytko

Kirsten Rapp '00, daughter of William and Willa Rapp

Jocelyn Robinson '98, daughter of Wyley and Suellen Robinson

Rachel Robinson '01, daughter of Wyley and Suellen Robinson

Matthew Rotman '01, son of Stephen and Nancy Rotman

Eryn Samuels '01, daughter of Wayne and Valerie Samuels

Christopher Sand '98, son of David and Jean Sand

Kathryn Sand '01, daughter of David and Jean Sand

Amanda Schneider '98, daughter of Daniel and Mar-

garet Schneider

Jessica Schoen '99, daughter of Edward and Myrna Schoen

Daniel Shue '99, son of Chikong and Susan Shue

Max Sung '99, son of Dr. Bing Sung, and Kathryn Merriam, E. Dover, Vt.

Simon Thavaseelan '99, son of Drs. Perin and Thava Thavaseelan

Mark Tompkins '98, son of Marianne and Dennis Tompkins

Elizabeth Tung '00, daughter of Dr. Stephen and Alice Tung

Piercarlo Valdesolo '99, son of Dr. Ernesto and Cristina Valdesolo

Nathan Vantzelfde '00, son of Mark and Karen Vantzelfde

Susan Wager '00, daughter of Geoffrey and Gloria Wager

Alicia Wagner '00, daughter of Marina Villa, and Edward Wagner, Windham, N.H.

Charles Wang '99, son of Morris and Susan Wang

Erin Westaway '01, daughter of William and Deborah Westaway

Emily Wheeler '00, daughter of John and Elmira Wheeler

Katherine Witman '00, daughter of Theodore and Mary Ellen Witman

Caroline Yao '00, daughter of Fred Yao and Hsi-Ping Lung

Justin Yee '99, son of Quing and Christine Yee

Ned Yetten '98, son of Raymond and Karen Yetten.



# Pike School students achieve honors

Pike School has announced its honor rolls for the past term.

## Grade 9

**Honors:** Suzanne Costello, Courtney Craft, Stephen Graham, Tyler Master-son, Molly Reeve, Benjamin Samel, James Tourkistas, Gillian Wang, Sarah Wilkens.

## Grade 8

**High honors:** Francesca DeMeo, Kyle Eudailey, Sara Kitaeff, Brittany Lonero, Gregory Martin, David Paolino, Sasha Parr, Daphne Schatzberg, Matthew Steinert.

**Honors:** Ariel Axelrod-Hahn, Jonathan Barletta, Luke Basta, Peter Cameron, Sandeep Chawla, Alan Clarke, Morgan Copeland, Lexi Costello, Pawan Deshpande, Martha Dietz, Kathleen Dowling, Francesco

Finocchiaro, Arlen Galloway, Alyson Gerber, Marianne Gianelli, Alexander Haddad, Imran Hendley, Ted Hu, Douglas Johnson, Joseph Kolchinsky, Marcus Lathrop, Peter Loring, Vincent Manzi, Stefanie Middleton, Nicholas Morton, Alicia Moulton, Carolyn Nelson, Zachary Pasanen, Angela Ralph, Kristen Rudick, Matthew Schiff, Emily Shaer, Christina Stone,

Dana Swartz, Joseph Travaglini, Crystal Turner, William Waters, Christopher Wegrzyn, Jarrett Wetherell.

## Grade 7

**High honors:** Brandon Antonakos, Brian Fiske, Emily French, Alexandra Garrison, Molly Hauptman, Daniel Koh, Jeanne LeSafre, Andrew Lundquist, Alexander Magnin, Amy Malleck, Kanyi

Maqubela, Andrew McManus, Joseph Musumeci, Carolina Save, Anne Snyder, Perry Stewart, Joshua Williams.

**Honors:** Adam Akerman, Allison Arrigg, Dean Boylan, Rachel Collins, Patricia Delude, Laura Denison, David Desruisseau, Elizabeth Dipple, Irene Farnham, Mackenzie Ferguson, Rachel Harmeling, Timothy Huang, Zoe Lantelme, Alexandre

Lirette, Nicholas Macek, Conor MacKean, Samuel MacNaughton, Jonathan McDonough, Nels Nelson, Clarida Otero, John Reppucci, Melanie Roberts, Josefina Rodriguez, Diana Stapinski, Daniel Treitel, Abigail Weiner.

## Grade 6

**High honors:** Heidi Adlman, Samuel Basta, Amy Cameron, Jaideep

Chawla, Diana Chen, Janny Chou, Meade Curtis, Margaret Dallett, Dante DeMeo, Christina Der, Ashwin Deshpande, Stephen Draheim, Jessica George, Jessica Hsiao, Carolyn Johnson, Nicole Lonero, Ashley MacMillan, Julia Nizinski, Mariel Rodriguez-McGill, Andrew Samel, Ilana Segall, Rachel Shack, Margaret Sullivan, David Tomich, Benjamin Waters.

**Honors:** Ryan Armstrong, Gina

Crivelli, Lauren Goglia, Bethany Gostanian, Jonathan Grasso, Bruce Hilman, Justin Holzwarth, Nicole Johnson, Matthew Judell-Halfpenny, Allison LeSaffre, Lawrence McCall, Matthew Miller, Kendra Moulton, Elizabeth Mulligan, Katherine Nelson, Michele Piazza, Eliana Reyes, Christopher Rivers, Christine Sadrnoori, Peter Telios, Jessica Wailes, James Waters, Julia Wetherell, Sarah Wooten.

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## SCHOOL TALK

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**Paul Lam**, son of Yen-Liu and C.S. Lam of Rutgers Road, recently performed a piano recital at the



**Paul Lam**

Gala Concert of Outstanding Students of Russian-American Musicians in New York City. Lam was among a small group of young virtuosos from all over the country who won the opportunity, through vigorous screenings and selections, to perform in Carnegie Hall. The event was organized by The Russian-American Music Association, which supports the enrichment of American culture with the best traditions of Russian music and facilitates communication between the musical communities of the two nations.

The eighth-grader at West Middle School began his piano studies with Eugenia Mironovich of North Andover when he was 6. He also studies violin with Faina Klabukova of Haverhill.

In March, Lam represented West Middle by competing in *The Eagle-Tribune's* 16th annual



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Gail Seeley (left) helped to create Andover's 350th Anniversary Quilt, on display at Memorial Hall Library. It seems the artistic impulse runs in the family. Her daughter, author/illustrator Laura L. Seeley (right) described the process of publishing her books for children to Shawsheen students.

Scripps Howard Regional Spelling Bee for the second year in a row.

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West Middle School kicked off its celebration of World Language and Culture Week on March 24 with a performance by the award-winning Latin musical group Sol y Canto. The Cambridge-based rhythmic trio played traditional and original songs from Venezuela, Nicaragua, Chile, Puerto Rico and Spain.

Sol y Canto is an exuberant Latin musical ensemble headed

by Rosi and Brian Amador, two founding members of Flor de Cana, a Boston-based Latin band. Sol y Canto's music features a variety of upbeat Latin American and Caribbean dance and folklore rhythms. The performers explained how the nylon-string guitar has provided a

backbone of harmony, melody and percussive rhythms for the Flamenco styles of music. The group was the winner of *Boston Magazine's* "Best of Boston 1996" for Latin rhythms and the 1995 Boston Music Award for "Outstanding Latin Act." Sol y Canto performs as a

duo, trio and a sextet. The musical group was invited to perform at West Middle by Spanish teacher Anita Adams, a native of Cuba. The performance was made possible by the world language department and several sponsors.

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# SCHOOL TALK

World Language and Culture Week included a poster contest organized by world language teacher **Mike Byrne** with the theme "world languages make a world of difference because..." The students' posters were displayed throughout the school.

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First-graders at **South School** enjoyed "Fun in the Sun Day" Friday, March 13. Each class had an imaginary tropical destination. Classes "traveled" to Bermuda, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Bahamas. Activities included making leis and volcanoes in Hawaii; Spanish lessons and limbo in Puerto Rico; creating a tropical mural in the Virgin Islands; popsicles on the beach in the Bahamas; and a tour of Bermuda's historical sights through the viewing of photographs.

Partner-reading and math activities took place on beach towels while the sounds of tropical music could be heard up and down the first-grade hallway. A great day was enjoyed by all, organizers said.

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On March 24, seven **Andover High School** students were honored with 1998 Collaborative Arts Awards, presented by the **Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative**, in a ceremony at Lawrence Heritage State Park.

**Dr. Kenneth R. Siefert**, acting superintendent of Lawrence Public Schools, gave the keynote speech and officially opened the park's exhibition at the Visitor's Center, which featured the students' works.

The following AHS students were honored for Outstanding Achievement in the Visual Arts: **Jesse Stanley, John Wittbold, Kendra McDade, Lesley Ring, David**

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◀ Winnie Schwartz's first-graders enjoy "Fun In The Sun Day" at South School.

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# SCHOOL TALK

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Byers, Hillary Kelly and Melissa Stone.  
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Spar and Spindle Girl Scout Council will hold an open house for its new lodge at Camp Maude Eaton in Andover, this Sunday, April 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. A rededication ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. The modern facility will be used for outdoor education programs for girls and will be available for use by community groups.

Camp Maude Eaton, located on Abbot Street, is a 55-acre wooded property surrounded by conservation land, the Shawshen River and Pomp's Pond. The new lodge will provide year-round use of the camp. The building features a fireplace, skylights, deck, modern bathrooms and a kitchen suitable for a caterer. The camp offers seasonal cabins, picnic pavilions, walking trails, low ropes course, a basketball court and a waterfront for swimming and boating.

For more information or directions, call the Girl Scout Service Center at (800) 842-5566.  
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The fourth-grade students of Steve Jankauskas, Lydia Wise, Elly Seavey, Michael Pearl and Garth McKinney celebrated poetry and music in a performance at South School Tuesday, March 17. Illustrated original poems transformed the walls of the

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Three students from Andover High were invited to participate in a panel discussion at Harvard Law School entitled "Women of Color: Narratives of Passion and Progress." Students who attended the all-day conference on Feb. 28 are (in the back, from left) Shakia Robinson, a junior ABC student from the Bronx, N.Y.; junior Desiree Adams, daughter of Rahn and Debora Adams of 10 Hearthstone Place; and (in front) Christina Lord, a junior and ABC student from Brooklyn, N.Y.



Pictured with poet Mary Chivers, clockwise from far left: Ashley Samuels, Kristin Costagliola, Marie Huntley, Rachel Maggio, Jessica Ragnio, Ms. Chivers, Danielle Liffman, Joanna Salini, Erin Bligh, Laura Goldsheim.

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cafetorium into an art gallery. Five students from each class recited their poems. Students, under the direction of music specialists Linda O'Donnell and Susan Sepich and student teacher Damon Beiter, played percussion instruments and recorders, performed dances and sang.

This interdisciplinary endeavor began in February by visits from local poet Mary Chivers. She conducted two workshops with each fourth-grade class focusing on using different imagery in writing. She encouraged students to use their senses when writing poetry and reviewed their poems and gave feedback. Jankauskas explained the value of the workshops. "Most writing assignments tend to be academic, with a narrow focus and purpose. This asks them to expand their horizons."

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Students at West Middle

School had an opportunity to increase their awareness of the dangers of smoking and the need for communities to continue to raise funds for continuing cancer research.

A week-long series of student-centered activities were conducted in conjunction with the National Great American Smoke Out sponsored by the American Cancer Society. The students spent the week raising funds for research through bake sales and collection boxes in the school cafeteria. Sixth-grade students participated in a smoking awareness contest with awards presented for the best public service announcements and poems related to not smoking. The sixth-graders topped off the week with their own "Great Shout Out" against smoking by gathering outside and shouting with their loudest voices against the dangers of smoking.

A highlight of the week's activities was a visit by

Winners of the sixth-grade Great Smoke Out contest were (in no particular order) Public Service Announcements winners Brittany Muselman, Nia Koch, Amanda Reczek, John Quinn, Allison Brown; honorable mention, Jason Shoemaker, Natasha Pakravan, Chrissy McSweeney, David Holstein; poems winners Matt Canavan, Jason Feinberg, Tara Mohan, Amy Stewart, Jeff Brown; honorable mention, Daniel Rosenzweig, Caly Therkelsen, Joe Conley, Avi Lasser, Ashley Beaucaire, Kevin Aufiero, Marianne Murphy, Brian McPartland, Sarah Michalik, Sarah Martin.

Richard Drorbaugh, author of *World Ride - Going the Extra Mile Against Cancer*. Drorbaugh has won several national awards and was selected one of 10 Outstanding Young Americans, a 1995

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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, April 16

**CPR for infants and children,** American Heart Association Certification course, 6-9 p.m., \$25, Mom & Me Maternity, 93 Main St.; RSVP 470-8832.

**Lecture,** "The Responsibility of the Press: from *The Michigan Daily* to *The New York Times*," by Sara Rimer, New England bureau chief for *The New York Times*, 8 p.m., Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy, Chapel Avenue; Sharon Britton 749-4295.

**Meeting,** Homebased Businesswomen's Network Inc., speaker will discuss "Debt in the '90s," 7 p.m., \$10, Village Green Restaurant, Route 1, Newbury Street, Danvers; Lorraine (978) 546-7969.

**Meeting,** Amnesty International, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library Activity Room, Elm Square; 458-1512 or 623-8400.

**Lecture,** by Barbara Bush, sponsored by Bank Boston, part of Salem State College Series, Salem State College, Salem Mass.; (978) 740-7555.

**Meeting,** Merrimack Valley Area Easter Seal Stroke Support Group, video description of a Passover Seder and observance, 1:30 p.m., Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St; Easter Seals 1-800-922-8290.

**Poetry reading,** Phillips Academy students Charlie Finch, Kate Nesin, Anthony Morales, Katharine Gilbert, Christina Richardson, 7 p.m., Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; (800) 491-0143.

**Meeting,** Merrimack Valley Chapter, Massachusetts Association of Insurance Women Inc. (MAIW), seminar on stress management, 5:30 p.m., Ralph's Restaurant, Route 125, Ward Hill; Donna Bistany (978) 469-0207.

## FRIDAY, April 17

**Open mike talent night,** sponsored by Memorial Hall Library's Young Adult Advisory Board, open to all teens in middle and high school, refreshments, door prizes, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library hall, Elm Square; Beth 623-8400.

**Concert,** presented by New England String Ensemble, 8 p.m., \$18, \$15 seniors, \$10 students, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 166 High St., Newburyport; Peter Stickel, NESE executive director, (781) 224-1117.

**Concert,** John Gorka, presented by New Moon Coffeehouse, 8 p.m., \$15, Murray Room, Universalist Unitarian Church, Routes 110 and 125, Haverhill; (978) 373-9259.

**Quilt show,** presented by Tewksbury Piecemakers Quilt Guild, noon-9 p.m., \$4, Marland Place, 15 Stevens St.; Laurie-Jean (978) 851-2837.

**Victor Borge in concert,** 8 p.m.,

\$37.50, \$32.50, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell; box office (978) 454-2299 or ticketmaster (617) 931-2000.

**Artist reception,** 5-8 p.m., Mingo Gallery, 252 Cabot St., Beverly; (978) 927-5964.

**Art exhibit and sale,** sponsored by Reading Art Association, 7:30-9:30 p.m., First Congregational Church, Sanborn Street, Reading.

**All in the Timing,** comedy sketches presented by Quannapowitt Players, 8 p.m., Quannapowitt Playhouse, 55 Hopkins St., Reading; box office (781) 942-2212.

**Comedy Palace,** featuring Amazing Jonathan, Frank Santorelli (show B), at the Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m., cover charge \$8; 1-888-TOLAUGH.

**Meeting,** Merrimack Valley Bird Club, (see photo at right) film presentation "Arctic Summer," starring the birds and animals of the Canadian tundra, 7:30, Evan Hall, Phillips Academy.

**Opening reception,** exhibit of large oil on canvas works by Marc Mannheimer, professor of art at Bradford College, refreshments, 5-7 p.m., Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; Leslie Costello 685-2343.

## SATURDAY, April 18

**Quilt show,** 10 a.m.-4 p.m., see entry under Friday, April 17.

**Folk music concert,** by Bill O'Brien and Chris Nordstrom, to benefit health sanitation programs of Salvadoran Association for Rural Health (ASAPROSAR), 8 p.m., \$8, First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, Beverly; Carol Girard (978) 927-6811.

**Information session,** presented by Phillips Academy Department of Theatre and Dance, on The Theatre Enterprise, a five-week summer program for high school students focusing on acting for stage, film and video, 5 p.m., Tang Theatre, George Washington Hall, off Chapel Avenue, Phillips Academy; 749-4436.

**Women in the Workplace workshop,** sponsored by Spar and Spindle Girl Scout Council for girls in grades 5-9, featuring more than 20 professional women, 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., \$10, Northern Essex Community College, Lawrence; (800) 842-5566.

**Chamber music recital** featuring Elizabeth Lim, violin; Lawrence Dutton, viola; and Diane Lim, piano, performing works of Shostakovich, Brahms, Tsontakis and Martinu, 7:30 p.m., free of charge and open to the public, Timken Room, Graves Hall, corner of School and Main streets, PA campus; Terry Morgani 749-4263.

**Art exhibit and sale,** 10 a.m.-4 p.m., see entry under Friday, April 17.

**All in the Timing,** see entry under Friday, April 17.

**Comedy Palace,** see entry under Friday, April 17.



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**The Merrimack Valley Bird Club will hold its annual meeting Friday, April 17, at Evan Hall at Phillips Academy at 7:30 p.m. Mark Wilson, Boston Globe nature photographer, and his wife, Marcia, will present a film presentation. Arctic Summer: So Much Light, So Little Time, a film two years in the making, stars the birds and animals of the Canadian tundra. Club president Albert Retelle will review the bird walks scheduled for the spring season, which runs April to June. Most walks are held in the area, except for trips to Plum Island and Mount Auburn Cemetery. The annual meeting is open to the public.**

**"Who's Watching You" Owls of New England,** slide show of photos by wildlife photographer Mark Wilson and naturalist Marcia Wilson presents live owls, 10-11:30 a.m., Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; (978) 970-5000.

**German roast pork dinner,** 5 p.m., \$8 adults, \$3.35 children under 12, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 163 East Haverhill St., Lawrence; 682-4215.

## SUNDAY, April 19

**Outdoor leadership workshop,** presented by Appalachian Mountain Club, a.m. instruction, lunch, hike, Dave Doub 470-3703.

**Hike,** sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, West Parish horse trail, meet West Parish Cemetery, 1:30 p.m.; Susan Kelly (617) 491-3415.

**Wapack trail hike,** sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, meet Miller State Park; Larry Blood (781) 944-0929.

**Auditions,** for Webber's Express, a musical, 6 p.m., Giordano's Starlite Dinner Theatre, Route 97, Georgetown; (978) 352-7300 or (800) 287-PLAY.

**Art exhibit and sale,** 12:30-3:30 p.m., see entry under Friday, April 17.

## TUESDAY, April 21

**Skin cancer program,** sponsored by American Cancer Society "A Time For You" committee, speaker David Simkin, M.D., from Chelmsford Dermatology PC, 7-9 p.m., Clark Auditorium, Lowell General Hospital; American Cancer Society (978) 988-3600.

**Talk,** sponsored by Brace Center for Gender Studies, Jay Rogers, instructor in history and social science presents "Images of the African American Male: Representations Versus Reality," 5:30 p.m., School Room of the Brace Center, Abbot Hall, Abbot Campus Road,

Phillips Academy campus; Sharon A. Britton 749-4295.

**Lecture,** sponsored by Merrimack College's Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations, author and columnist James Carroll, 7:30 p.m., Cascia Hall, Merrimack College, Junctions of Routes 114 and 125, North Andover; Jocelyne Fauerback 837-5190.

## WEDNESDAY, April 22

**Irish stories and songs,** Irish storyteller Magdalen Cantwell, 10 a.m.,

Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Norma A. Gammon 623-8400.

**Meeting,** Learning In Retirement Association (LIRA), for retirees and semi-retired,

"Jazz of the '30s and '40s," 10 a.m.-noon, UMass Lowell, West Campus, Princeton Boulevard; 250-1807 or 957-7425.

**Teleconference,** sponsored by University of Massachusetts Lowell Center for Health Promotion, College of Health Professions and Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice of Greater Lowell Inc., *Living With Grief: Who We Are, How We Grieve*, live from Washington, D.C., 1:30-4 p.m., Room 222, O'Leary Library, South Campus, University of Massachusetts Lowell; (978) 458-0053.

**Non-stop Aesop,** presented by Actors Theatre of Maine for ages 4 and older, *Androcles and the Lion*, *The Tortoise and the Hare* and *The Boy Who Cried Wolf*, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., \$7, Emerson Umbrella Center for the Arts, 40 Stow St., Concord; (978) 371-1482.

## THURSDAY, April 23

**Free-throw basketball hoophathon,** sponsored by Huntington's Disease Society of America, Massachusetts Chapter, T-shirts and prizes for shooters, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Saunders Auditorium, Tewksbury Hospital; (978) 851-7321.

## FRIDAY, April 24

**All in the Timing,** see entry under Friday, April 17.

**Opening reception,** Arthur Dove: A Retrospective, Urban Visions, and Sometime, Someplace, Somewhere, Somehow exhibits, 5-8 p.m., Addison Gallery of American Art, corner of Route 28 and Chapel Avenue; 749-4015.

**Oklahoma!,** presented by the Concord Players, 8 p.m., \$14, 51 Walden St., Concord Center; (978) 369-2990.

**Treasure Island,** presented by Dog & Pony Theatre Company, for ages 4 and older, 2 p.m., \$7, Emerson Umbrella Center for the Arts, 40 Stow St., Concord; (978) 371-1482.

## SATURDAY, April 25

**American Textile History Museum's anniversary party,** with

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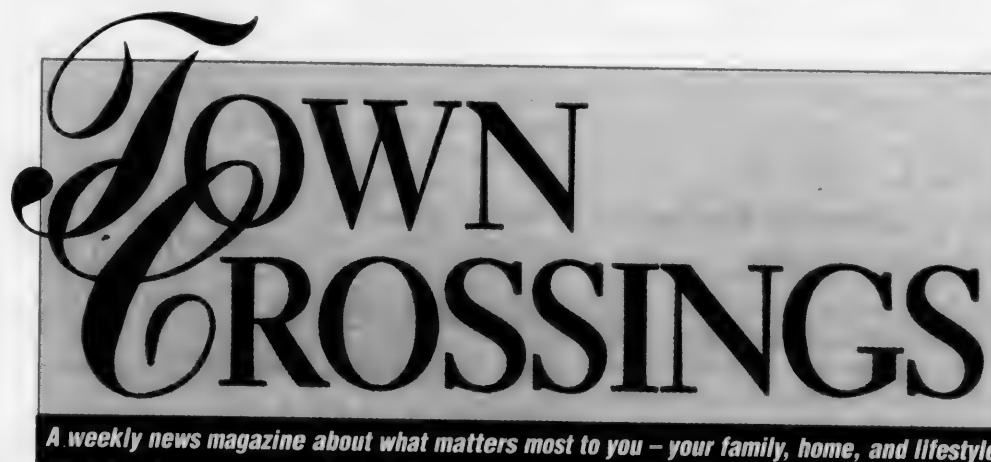


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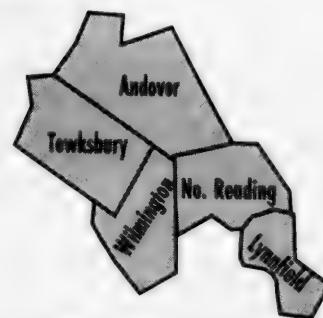


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# OBITUARIES

## Margaret J. McGinley

**Was treasurer of Frye Circle Associates; attended St. A's**

Margaret J. McGinley, 86, of Andover and Houlton, died Wednesday, April 1, at a Lowell hospital.

Mrs. McGinley was born Oct. 22, 1911, at Richmond Corner, N.B., Canada.

She graduated from Carleton County Vocational School in Woodstock, N.B., in 1929.

Mrs. McGinley was treasurer of Frye Circle Associates and a member of St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her son, Wayne McGinley of Vernon, Conn.; daughters, Marilyn McGinley Derrah of Tewksbury and Connie McGinley Kelley of Andover; 18 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

## Deaths Elsewhere

**BREEN** - Lucille (McDonough) Gibbons Breen of Lawrence died Tuesday, April 7, after a brief illness, at Prescott House Nursing Home in North Andover.

Members of her family include a niece, Juliana McGovern of Andover.

**COTE** - Mary E. Cote, 88, of North Andover, died Monday, April 13, at a local nursing home.

Members of her family include a daughter, Blanche Parpart of Andover.

**COUTO** - Matilda "Tillie" (Sears) Couto, 83, of Lawrence died Thursday, April 9, at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Members of her family include her sister, Gilda Mendonsa, and niece, Joanne Taft, both of Andover.

**FIELDING** - Gertrude (Hall) Fielding, 92, of North Andover died Saturday, April 11, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of her family include a niece, Lorraine Gioia, and nephews, James Gioia and Alex Gioia Jr., all of Andover.

**HARTMAN** - Wilhelmina (Holloway) Hartman, 90, of Georgetown died Wednesday, April 8, at Hale Hospital in Haverhill.

She is the widow of Thomas E. McGinley, who died in 1970; mother of the late Bert McGinley, John McGinley, Thomas McGinley and Joan Boyd Simpson; and daughter of the late William and Clara Rebecca (Currie) Armstrong.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 16, at 10 a.m. in St. Augustine Church.

## Alma C. Grew

**Was a resident of Andover for nearly 35 years**

Alma Clayburgh Grew, 82, of Westwood, formerly of Back Bay, died Monday, March 30.

Mrs. Grew had been a resident of Andover for nearly 35 years.

Members of her family include her daughter, Alma Grew of Stockbridge; sons and daughters-in-law, Edward S.

Grew of Orono, Maine, and Priscilla C. Grew of Lincoln, Neb., and James H. and Dyana W. Grew Jr. of Winter Haven, Fla.; and niece, Jill Clayburgh of Connecticut.

She was the widow of Dr. James H. Grew, chair of the French Department (1945-1970) and of the Division of Foreign Languages (1970-1972) at Phillips Academy.

Funeral services were held Thursday, April 2, at Emmanuel Church in Boston. Private burial was at Woodlawn Cemetery in New York City.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alma C. Grew Memorial Fund at Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115.

## Eduino L. Silva

**Was stock clerk with the Gillette Co. in Andover for many years**

Eduino L. Silva, 70, of Andover died Sunday, April 12, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Silva was born and educated in the Azores, Portugal. He had lived in Lawrence before moving to Andover, where he spent most of his life.

He was a stock clerk with the Gillette Co. in Andover for many years before he retired.

Mr. Silva attended Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Lawrence.

He was a former member of the Portuguese American Club.

He enjoyed gardening, soccer and being with his family.

Members of his family include his wife of 54 years, Ana E. (Barcelos) Silva of Andover; daughters, Estela

## OBITUARIES

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M. Arroyo of Manchester, N.H., and her husband, Peter Arroyo, and Elizabeth M. Silva and Margaret M. Silva, both of Andover; son, Eduino "Eddy" Silva, also of Andover; sisters, Isabelle Silveria, Fernanda Goulart and Constance Ferrera, all of Canada, Maria Cabral of Fall River, Clementina Furtado of California and Lionilda Correia of Portugal; brother, Antonio Silva, also of Portugal; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. at Pollard Funeral Home Inc., 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

A funeral Mass will be said today, Thursday, April 16, at 10 a.m. in Sts. Peter and Paul Church. Burial will follow in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence.

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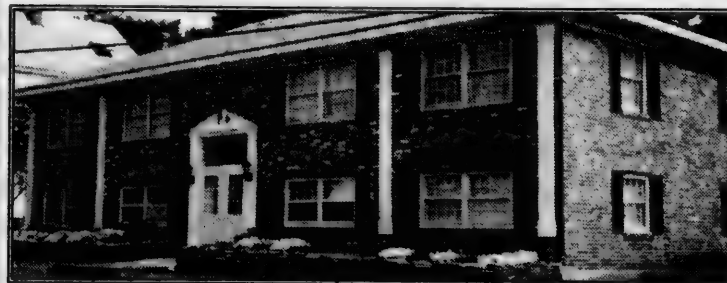
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# AROUND TOWN

**Sara Rimer**, New England bureau chief for *The New York Times*, will present a lecture "The Responsibility of the Press: From *The Michigan Daily* to *The New York Times*," tonight, Thursday, April 16, at 8 in Kemper Auditorium, Chapel Avenue, on the campus of **Phillips Academy**, 180 Main St.

Rimer is the first recipient of the Phillips Academy Kayden Award in Journalism, given annually to a distinguished journalist who has demonstrated excellence in reporting, writing and analysis about significant issues of our time.

Rimer is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where she wrote for the student newspaper, *The Michigan Daily*. She has served internships with the *Detroit Free Press* and *Philadelphia Bulletin* and worked for five years as a reporter for *The Miami Herald*, and opened a New York bureau for the newspaper. She also worked for *The Washington Post*. Rimer has been a reporter for *The New York Times* for 15 years, joining the national staff five years ago as chief of the New England bureau.

Throughout her career, Rimer has gravitated to big cities and to writing stories about ordinary people. While reporting in New York, she enjoyed riding the subway around the vast city, "listening to all the different languages, absorbing the noise and grit, covering issues of the homeless, children and immigrants," she said. Rimer won the Meyer Berger Award

for coverage of the "unsung and the unrecognized."

She has also covered stories such as the floods in Mississippi five years ago, the Los Angeles earthquake and the Oklahoma City bombing. Last year she shared in receiving a Polk Award given to a team of *Times* reporters for a series on economic downsizing.

In October, she began a new beat, writing about aging in America.

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**Cornel West**, described as one of the most eloquent voices in the national debate about race relations in America, will speak in Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue, on the campus of **Phillips Academy**, 180 Main St., Sunday, April 26, at 6:45 p.m. His talk, "Restoring Hope," is based on his latest book of the same title, a compilation of inter-



**Cornel West**

views with African-American luminaries discussing hope and despair in black America. The lecture is sponsored by the Bernard and Louise Palitz Fund at Phillips Academy.

West is professor of religion and Afro-American studies at Harvard University and former head of the Department of Afro-Ameri-

can Studies at Princeton University. His books include the best-seller *Race Matters*, published in 1991. His upcoming book *Born Without a Skin*, discusses the decline in the quality of parenting in America. He is also the author of *Keeping the Faith*, 1993, and co-author of *Jews and Blacks: Let the Healing Begin*, published in 1995.

Influenced by traditions as diverse as the Baptist Church, American transcendentalism, the Black Panthers and European philosophy, West challenges audiences to consider many points of view in the debate on race relations. He believes that racial division fosters poverty and paranoia, despair and distrust, and undermines the nation's democratic process.

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**Memorial Hall Library** will hold its annual book sale May 1-3 during regular library hours. A preview night will held Thursday, April 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for a \$20 charge.

"Thanks to wonderful patrons, we have more books than we have had previously. For the many mystery readers in Andover, we have zillions of books for you. Children's books will also be available," said Norma A. Gammon.

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Irish storyteller **Magdalen Cantwell** will perform at **Memorial Hall Library** Wednesday, April 22, at 10 a.m. She was born in Ireland and raised in the rich tradition of Irish storytelling. A

love for music and the ancient Gaelic language inspired Cantwell to translate tales from the past into English.

She is a member of the Irish Cultural Centre, League for the Advancement of New England Storytelling, and Educators for Social Responsibility.

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**Maureen C. Meinert** of Andover, a member of the **Spade**

**Garden Club**, will be one of the flower arrangers for **Art in Bloom '98**, the festival of flowers and art at **Museum of Fine Arts** in Boston April 28-30. To celebrate flower design as an art form, arrangements by 72 New England garden clubs will interpret masterpieces throughout the museum's collections. For more information about Art in Bloom '98, call (617) 369-3395.



**Maureen C. Meinert**

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**The Andona Society** is looking for new members. The non-profit organization has been raising funds for the youth of Andover for more than 40 years.

For more information, call **Lois Kelly** at 470-3881.

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**The Greater Lawrence**

**Chapter of Hadassah and the Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel** will cosponsor a lecture on "Nutrition and Women's Health" Tuesday, April 28, at 7 p.m. at **Temple Emanuel**, Haggetts Pond Road.

**Maria Conger**, a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator, will discuss heart disease, cancer, osteoporosis and weight control/diabetes.

Conger is owner of **Proper Nourishment**, a nutrition consulting business in Andover. She provides medical nutrition therapy, menu development, education and management in all areas of the health care industry.

For more information, call **Diane Fisher** at 475-7866.

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**The Andover Garden Club** announced that its May 5 meeting will be a celebration of the club's 70th anniversary.

In addition to a monthly business meeting and its annual meeting, the club will provide a luncheon program, including "The Garden at Nine Friend Street," a presentation by **Frederick L. Rice** tracing the development of his garden in Manchester-by-the-Sea from 1928 to the present.

The event will be held at the historic **Town House** (Old Town Hall), 20 Main Street.

All attendees — both members and guests — must make a reservation for the luncheon program by Tuesday, April 21.

Contact **Kay Noyes** at 475-2002 to reserve a place.

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## AHA to abate lead paint

Inspections done in February and March at Memorial Circle have revealed lead paint in several locations, according to the Andover Housing Authority, which manages the 56-unit complex.

A letter to tenants from AHA Executive Director Christine Metzemaekers dated March 24 says lead paint testing conducted by Smith and Wessel found no lead paint in the floors, ceilings, walls and woodwork, but did find it in windows that are now about 50 years old.

"There are also some metal doors to the boiler rooms of some of the buildings that tested positive," she says, "and we knew that the outside trim had it as

well."

Metzemaekers says the state Department of Housing and Community Development, which authorized the testing, has also assured her that it will fund the removal or covering of the paint, which she estimated would take six to eight months, "since we have to go through the bids and procurement process."

Meanwhile, the letter to tenants advises them to clean up any paint chips or dust with a damp rag, rather than vacuuming it, and then simply to throw the rag away.

"We also hired Bill Wessel

(owner of Smith and Wessel) to come to a meeting last Wednesday to answer questions from tenants.

Finally, she says she has requested assistance from the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council to conduct lead paint testing in children for any parents who want it.

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In other Housing Authority news, the authority has been given a clean financial bill of health.

Metzemaekers, who arrived last September, says an audit for Fiscal Year 1997 found that bookkeeping prob-

lems noted the previous year had all been "cleared," and there were no new findings of problems.

"That was one of my goals for the first four months I was here," she says, "and we accomplished that."

### River Road meeting set

A meeting to provide information on the construction activities involving River Road, the I-93 ramps and River Road bridge will be held Wednesday, April 22, at 6:30 p.m. at Andover Marriott on Old River Road.

The contractor is expected to begin construction within the next few days and the work should be completed in late fall.

The meeting is intended to advise businesses and residents in the River Road corridor of construction schedules, work hours, lane restrictions and what the final product will look like.

The project will create a six-lane configuration on River Road between I-93 and Shattuck Road, add new lanes on southbound and northbound ramps, improve signal operations and temporarily re-stripe the existing bridge from three lanes to four lanes.

This work represents the first portion of a nearly \$10-million project, which will conclude with a new six-lane bridge over I-93 by the end of 1999.



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# She loves them, yeah, yeah, yeah

By Neil Fater

When the Beatles roared into the Boston Garden in 1964, Lynda Murphy squirmed from her seat all the way down to the corner of the stage where John Lennon held court.

"The soon-to-be defunct Boston Garden has special memories for me also," says Murphy, an incurable Beatlemaniac. "Somehow I managed to get up there and (enjoy) the concert first hand."

Now Murphy hopes to bring back such memories for others as the chairwoman of a group that's bringing a Beatles exposition to Andover April 26.

She wants residents to go for a ride next Sunday morning, and then head over to the Ramada hotel on Lowell Street for the Boston Beatles Expo '98. The expo is open to the general public from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. with bands playing, with breaks, from 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

"This is my second time around (the Beatles scene)," says Murphy. "I was there in '64 and at Suffolk Downs in '66, and I was back into the whole scene about five years ago."

Murphy, an IRS employee and Shawsheen Road resi-

dent, has collected several Beatles items over the years, including a piece of a bed sheet slept on by Ringo Starr when the Beatles were in Boston. Murphy bought the sheet scrap years ago for \$1 from a charity fundraiser and has had people asking for it ever since.

"There's a dealer who every time he sees me asks me, 'Do you still have it? Do you want to sell it yet?' 'Yes, I do; no, I don't,' is my answer," she says.

Murphy loved the excitement the original Beatles caused, and hopes to recreate some of that feeling at the expo. The Beatles probably influenced her all-girl rock band, The Frauleins, which she says cut a 45 record and once opened for the Lovin' Spoonful.

"Everybody and his brother started a garage band, and I was actually in an all-girl band before it was popular," she says.

But of all the souvenirs Murphy has from her Beatles-following years, she says, "The best part is my memory of those two concerts."

Three bands at the expo — one called because (yes, they don't capitalize the b), Scott Wheeler and Strawberry

Fields — will try to recreate the music at those concerts by playing Beatles covers. Murphy says Strawberry Fields is the "top tribute band out of New York," and the players will make three costume changes during their performance, representing the different stages of the original band's career.

"I think there's a town ordinance that says everything that's fun, we will not permit in town," jokes Murphy. "Unlike a bumper sticker I saw the other day that said 'Blandover,' it will not be Blandover that day."

The expo will also have a marketplace with about 50 dealers buying and selling Beatles merchandise, and a video amphitheater showing Beatles videos.

Barry Tashian, of Barry and the Remains, the Boston-based band that opened for the Fab Four in 1966 will also be one hand, delivering a slide show, promoting his book *Ticket to Ride* and signing autographs.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Can't let it be — Lynda Murphy has been a Beatlemaniac for, oh, since John, Paul, George and Ringo was fab, all those years ago.

## A friend in need

Genevieve Stedman, who ran Stedman Flowers at Route 133/Lowell Street with her husband Gordon for about three decades, has provided custom service and personal favors for hundreds of local customers.



Genevieve Stedman

Those customers and other friends may want to return a bit of that kindness to Stedman, 76, who is now seriously ill, although she still managed to make sure that a local church had flowers for Easter.

"She called me up and asked me to order them," says her niece, Joan Penney, who says she has also worked at the shop "off and on since I was a kid." Penney, who also works at the Andover Inn, says she has worked more regularly at the shop since Gordon Stedman died in 1995.

According to Stedman's son George, his father bought the property in 1946, his grandfather

Herbert David Stedman started the flower business shortly after that and ran it until his death in 1961.

Gordon and Genevieve rented the space out until 1986, when they started the current business.

"My mother took courses in design and decorated the wreaths," George says, adding that, "it was a family business with all four sons helping at various times, and daughter-in-law adding to the work force."

The business also included Christmas balls, poinsettias and Christmas trees.

"We usually started the week after Thanksgiving and went through Christmas," Penney recalls. "My aunt would do all kinds of things to make the wreaths special for each person," she says. "She was always saying, 'What color is your house?' It used to drive me crazy, but she was that way — she wanted to know what would fit your house. People loved it."

"I'll bet if you just went out on the street and talked to four people, three of them would have gotten a tree or a wreath or something from Stedman," she says, adding, "it won't be the same if it isn't open next Christmas."

## AHS — still 'almost' done

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off on all but the punch-list items.

"We're getting close," he says. "We're going to be occupying it."

"It" is the 10 renovated rooms that were a part of the project's last stage. McCormick says these rooms are ready right now, and teachers will be moving into their offices in this last area on Monday, April 27. After that, sophomores taking state tests will use the newly renovated classrooms, he says.

It appears the project, originally slated to cost \$26.5 million and to be finished by August, 1996, will be completed about \$2.5 million over budget and 20 months behind schedule.

As for an exact price, project manager Sharman Lappin says residents will have to wait at least another week.

"I don't have it yet. I'm reviewing what is hopefully the last application for payment (from the contractor, Stone-Congress)," she says. "This will be presented to the building committee next week."

Before this latest request appeared, the price tag for the project was "just under \$29 million" says Lappin.

The construction cost could always rise higher because the contractor is suing both architect Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates and the town, saying the architect's plans were flawed and the town did little to correct the problem.

Lappin confirms that \$25,000 was trans-

ferred from the South Elementary School technology budget to pay for High School items. Mead Consulting has not issued what were once monthly reports since October, 1997. However Lappin says Mead will write a report showing how much the town spent on each of the three schools and compare it to the \$26.5 million for Andover High, \$8 million for South and \$4 million for Sanborn price tags officials sold residents at the 1994 Town Meeting.

### Another request

At this year's Town Meeting, residents will receive another request to fund renovation work at Andover High. The request may look familiar.

That's because at 1996 Town Meeting voters approved an additional \$2.43 million above the original \$26.5 million for Andover High. This \$2.43 million was to pay for work the architect did not include in its plans, and also to fund new work including restructuring the outdoor track, replacing windows and completing gymnasium window treatments to reduce glare.

Because nearly all of the \$2.43 million was used for unanticipated expenses, officials are asking this year's Town Meeting to approve another \$768,000 that they say will finally pay for the track and window work. Stone-Congress will not be used for these projects, say officials.



## Coping ...

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a class of 3,800 (17,000 total undergraduate) is busy trying to learn the ropes. Her daughter says she has managed to cope by studying hard on her own, "and stressing."

"I just absolutely was lost as a freshman," says Lisa Daly who described her semester as "a tough one."

Daly knew she had a learning disability since seventh grade, but wasn't tested for attention deficit disorder (ADD) until this past January. Since she tested positive, she may be eligible for more support soon, but until then, it's a struggle, she says.

Since learning disabilities began being formally addressed in public schools in the 1970s, students today are graduating from high school with a lifetime of support. Some of them, in an earlier era, may never have considered higher education.

While help for the learning disabled is available at college, getting into and through college isn't easy for any student, let alone one who needs extra help, says Andover psychologist and educational consultant Dr. Janice Goldstein.

For parents of children with learning disabilities who are coming of age, Goldstein recommends starting the college search by the high school sophomore year, and making sure all the students' assessments are up to date.

She also recommends attending the workshop she coordinates: "Getting Your LD/ADD Student Into College," May 2 at the Holiday Inn in Tewksbury.

A panel of speakers including school psychologists, and admissions and learning disability directors from Boston University, North Shore Community College, Regis College, and Brown University will hold a workshop for parents, guidance counselors, mental health professionals and educators who need to help get students with learning disabilities into college.

Goldstein, of Andover Counseling Center in North Andover, says admissions officers at every school should be able to tell prospective families about the services they offer, but simply getting a student into college isn't enough; support services have to be readily accessible.

The phrases "I didn't know where to go and I didn't ask because I didn't want to look stupid" are common explanations for a LD or ADD student who failed a course freshman year in college, Goldstein says.

"These kids are used to prompts," she says, so without a thorough lesson in self-advocacy, in how

to ask for help and clarification without fear of "looking stupid," chances are great that they will hit a snag during the semester, she says.

Daly says she does get some tutoring at UMass, but not enough, and it is not always available when she doesn't have class.

"I have math three times a week, and after one 50-minute tutoring session (per week) I have a whole bunch of questions," she says.

Simply put, she hasn't had enough help, she says, and had the misfortune of being assigned to a newly-hired case manager who has little information about the program, she says.

A spokeswoman for the office of Learning Disability Support Services at UMass Amherst says the department has eight graduate students who are case managers and 10 to 12 graduate student tutors to serve 414 students in the program.

The program gets new case managers every year who keep up by attending biweekly staff meetings, she says. Overall, students are more satisfied than dissatisfied with services, she says, adding, "it would be great if we were perfect."

The LDSS has operated at UMass since 1985. The program for students with Psychological Disabilities (PD) like diagnosed ADD or ADHD opened in 1993. The staff of four serves more than 200 students throughout the school, says secretary for the PD program Lucia Kelly.

Kelly also says a survey conducted just before spring break showed a very positive response to the program with the exception of a small number of students who said they needed more services.

Still, based on Miller's experience, Colby-Sawyer appears to be at the other end of the support spectrum.

"I have a lot of things to deal with. I needed a school that was



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

**Get the support — Andover psychologist Dr. Janice Goldstein says for learning disabled students, getting into college is just the first step. Finding support services is the key to continued success.**

going to make me succeed," says Miller, who is headed for graduation with a 3.0 grade point average in child development.

What made the difference? "The ability to talk to my professors. They were always there for me, willing to do anything," she says, like grant extra time for an exam in a quiet place, let her rewrite papers several times, or get someone to read a text to her if she couldn't get it on tape.

Miller also says a background in self-advocacy has helped her help herself.

"I knew very young that I learned very differently than all my friends. In high school it was more noticeable, and I was working a lot harder than a lot of others were, but I was never shy or afraid to ask or say 'Listen, this is what I need you to do to help me learn,'" Miller says.

While Linda and Lisa Daly agree that self-advocacy is key for LD/ADD students, Linda Daly says she felt excluded from the process as a parent, once Lisa was enrolled.

"It's a big school. It's tough, and yes they have to advocate for themselves but you need to get kids on their feet. It's a big adjustment," she says.

## Road work ...

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there in age and it's time to try this hill."

He's relying on Dolan to keep this hill from becoming a heartbreak. After all, it was Dolan who talked him into running the race.

"He'd been running, so I planted the seed early in the year about running the marathon. He said, 'Let's do it' and we went from there," says Dolan, a Lowell resident and five-year veteran of the Andover Fire Department.

The two firefighters have been training together after work ever since, running 50 to 60 miles per week for the last six weeks. They hope to stick together through the whole day, which would mean a finishing time of about three and a half hours, Dolan's average.

"Jim's encouraged me along the way and given me a lot of tips," says Cahill. "I'm excited. Now I just want to get it over with. I want to get it done."

Among the advice Dolan has given his partner is to look forward to the mile mark.

"I told him about all the women at Wellesley College," says Dolan. "They cheer you and give you high-fives. You try to straighten up and run a little straighter."

"The marathon is a roller coaster. When you go you feel good for two miles and then you feel like heck," he says.

But there is one piece of information Dolan is not willing to pass on to his buddy. Asked what it feels like to cross the line, he says, "Like somebody beat you up, but I don't want to tell that to Joe."

Chances are, Cahill will find that out for himself soon enough.

With the race less than a week away, the two marathon men are in their "coasting period." They've started to run less to keep their bodies healthy, and are choosing their pasta dinners carefully.

"Every pound you put on, for 26 miles it's like an extra 10," says Dolan.

They've also come up with a plan that should provide them with the energy boosts and emotional support they'll need throughout the race.

Dolan's daughter Allison and her Emerson College sorority sisters will meet them at Cleveland Circle. Cahill's wife Melissa, their three children and Cahill's mother and friends will also be cheering them on along the course.

Cahill admits to being nervous.

"I should be. Everybody's enthusiastic about us and, hopefully, we won't let them down. It will be a nice day. I'm looking forward to it," he says.

So are three Phillips Academy seniors on the school's cross-country varsity, including Sari Edelstein, Jake Berman, and Sara Zuckerman. They've trained this winter with Coach Jonathan Stableford.

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Andover marathoners, call the Townsman at 475-1943 next week, and let us know how you did.

## What can parents do?

AHEAD, the Association on Higher Education and Disability, recommends various steps to help a learning disabled student or student with attention deficit disorder get into college. Among them:

- Make sure psychological testing is current;
- Obtain special testing records before high school graduation;
- Consider a vocational assessment;
- Consult with the high school to get a good understanding of how much support or special help the student is receiving;
- Help students increase their independent living skills;
- Make sure the student has a good understanding of their disability;
- Encourage self-advocacy;
- Learn about Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and about the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;
- Get information on special exam arrangements for the SAT and ACT tests;
- Contact the Office for Students with Disabilities at colleges when applying;
- Visit colleges before making a definite choice;
- Consider having students start college in a summer session rather than fall;
- Encourage students to have their own memberships in LD organizations.

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## Sewer ...

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several Town Meeting articles seeking approval for sewer projects around Andover, and they've been filed by both town officials and private citizens.

With at least two projects needing millions of dollars, what the town should do about its sewers could prove to be one of the most lengthy discussions during Town Meeting. The argument may break down into a simple question of whether the town should be extending its sewer to take care of failing septic systems, or replacing its oldest, unlined sewer lines. Residents may not be willing to pay for both projects simultaneously.

The town and a group of South Main Street residents are seeking up to \$2 million to prepare plans for extending the existing sewer line up South Main Street and into the Ballardvale Road area. Department of Public Works Director Bob McQuade says failing septic systems create a health problem, and residents such as Mark O'Malley of South Main Street says some people aren't able to sell their homes because of the problem.

McQuade met with residents of the area last Wednesday to answer their questions about the project and its cost. The total project is estimated to cost

more than \$23 million.

The sewer expansion would add just over 1,000 houses to the sewer system, says McQuade. "We feel the existing sewer system, the existing trunk sewer, is adequate to carry that," he says.

But some residents worry the extra houses could tax an already troubled system. J. Gregory Luckman is one of them. He's asking Town Meeting to approve up to \$9.45 million for rehabilitating "the oldest section of the original sections of the original sewerage system." This includes replacing the original truck sewer from Riverina Road to Central Street and fixing the sewers in the Rogers Brook area.

O'Hara says she supports extending the sewers in principle, but also believes the town should first take care of its older pipes. "If you have a house that's about to be con-

demned, then you don't put on an extension," she says. "You can't add onto this system that already overflows."

Luckman has done a lot of research on the sewer issue, and points out that

a 1988 sewer system evaluation survey, with a 1992 final report, shows some sections of Andover's 110-year-old sewer system are decaying.

"(I'm worried about) waste water getting out of the sewer pipes and into the ground water," Luckman told selectmen Monday. "Pipes that are cracked today could have bigger cracks tomorrow and be crushed pipes after that."

High rates of *E. coli* and other coliform bacteria have been found in the Rogers Brook area by different studies during the last three years, and Luckman is concerned that the problem is coming from damaged sewers.

His \$9.4 million figure for repairs or replacement comes from the town itself, which has listed this project in its CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) for several years. But this year's CIP pushes the bulk of this work back until 2003, even though the Department of Public Works ranks the project's priority higher than the expansion project it's recommending at Town Meeting.

Luckman believes "a comparison with past CIPs suggests an almost complete deferral of sewer rehabilitation work to free up a funding source (the sewer use charges) for the sewer expansion project."

McQuade says he can't recommend doing the Rogers Brook area sewers yet because the town has not solved its inflow problem, which he sees as more serious than any infiltration problem that might be handled by repairing the sewer lines. He also has not yet pinned down why *E. coli* figures indicating human pollution have been found in the Rogers Brook area.

Selectmen are recommending the Town Meeting approve the extension and vote against Luckman's article.

"I'm hearing that (Luckman's article) may be a good idea, but I'm hearing this is remarkably premature," says Selectman Larry Larsen. "We don't know what the problems are — whether it's infiltration or inflow. We haven't pinned down the *E. coli* situation yet."

### Trouble spot is found

The town may have pinned down the source of its *E. coli* problem as coming from behind Doherty Middle School.

"Right outside the Doherty School is where we think we have the source of pollution that was causing the problem all summer," says Robert McQuade, Department of Public Works director.

McQuade says the town will be looking at the Doherty area and also taking a camera into the drains in the area to see if they can find a problem there. Selectmen asked McQuade Monday to keep pursuing the *E. coli* problem, a problem that at times has reached levels thousands of times higher than is recommended by the government.

"If you want to see a dirty film, I invite you," said McQuade.

— Neil Fater

## School warrant articles — mostly routine

School Committee members recommended approval of all school-related Town Meeting articles on this year's warrant except the articles to fund architectural and engineering services and sewer work for a new Middle School, which they voted to withdraw.

Article 6 would allow the town to pay for any out-of-district special education costs. While the amount changes from year to year, Superintendent of Schools Richard E. Neal says he expects it to be about \$120,000.

Articles 21 and 22 are a routine, annual allowance for the Board of Selectman to accept and grant easements on behalf of the School Committee for water and sewer drainage or utility repairs. This article, for example, would require that the gas company get permission to fix something on school property from only one board and not both, Neal says.

Article 53 would raise the salaries of town officials by \$300. School Committee and Board of Selectmen members who are now paid \$1,200 per year for time and expenses would get \$1,500, and the chair of each of those boards would get \$1,800 instead of \$1,500.

Committee member Skip Eccles first opposed the raise because he considers it a token payment. "We've got to watch our nickels," he says.

Teachers' Union head Tom Meyers told the board he thought they deserved a raise for all their hard work.

Finance Committee member Joanne Marden seated in the audience said the committee recognized the expenses that come with holding public office, like babysitters and travel. The board,

including Eccles, approved the raise, with member Tim McCarron absent.

Article 56 would allow the town to take over the expense of a cost-of-living adjustment for retirees since the state no longer pays for it.

Article 67 would grant right of way to residents of West Knoll Road, which is now on Bancroft School property. The article was reworded by Town Counsel, Neal says, so the school retains access to that road from school property and the neighbors get right of way on the street.

Neal says he has spoken with a neighbor who agreed to the arrangement, as did the town manager, selectmen and town planners.

Article 68 would be redundant and will be withdrawn since the wording of

Article 67 was changed, Neal says.

Article 69 would appropriate \$750,000 for repairs to school buildings including window repair, work on heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, and some projects to meet code for the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Article 70 would spend \$768,000 at Andover High School on equipment and technology that was taken out of the construction project including repairs to the outdoor track which Committee Member Dick Collins says was in serious need of attention.

Article 81 would ban the use and sale of stink bombs and smoke bombs in and around public schools.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

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# NESWC fight takes two tacks

By Rebecca Lipchitz

While legislators work to get more state aid for North East Solid Waste Committee (NESWC) communities to pay for the operation of the North Andover trash-to-energy plant, local environmentalists are continuing the fight to close the plant down.

State Rep. Barry Finegold (D-Andover) says House passage of a line item for NESWC towns would provide Andover with \$100,000 to \$200,000 per year, if the same budget is passed in the Senate.

He expects that money would be available each year for seven years (until the NESWC contract ends) based on the word of the House Ways and Means Committee, but no budget item is truly guaranteed from year to year, he says.

And even if it is guaranteed, it will not take a massive bite out of Andover's bill, which is expected to increase from about \$1.6 million in the coming year to more than \$3 million by 2005. Under the best-case scenario, the money would fund a percentage declining from about 12.5 percent to 6.25 percent. If the town got only \$100,000, the percentage would start at around 6.6 percent, and decline to about 3.3 percent.

Finegold has inserted an amendment to ensures the money would still be available to towns even if the plant is shut down, since the towns will have to pay for the plant whether it's operating or not.

State Sen. John O'Brien says the fate of budget item depends on what the Senate includes in its version of the supplemental budget, which is not yet complete.

The next few years are the most expensive ones for NESWC towns under the current contract, Finegold says. In Andover this year, trash is disposed at the plant for \$86 per ton, or twice the market rate, he says. In the following years, disposal rates will rise to

\$137, \$188, \$198, \$209 and \$216 per ton by the year 2004 to pay off the cost of building the plant, which will still be owned by Wheelabrator.

Finegold equated NESWC towns to tenants of an apartment where the owner over-charges for rent, makes tenants pay for repairs but won't share ownership of the building.



Finegold — chasing bucks.

NESWC towns and the operator of the plant, Massachusetts Refusetech (MRI), a division of Wheelabrator, Inc., are now in court fighting over how much they each have to pay for pollution control equipment mandated by the federal Clean Air Act.

Currently the 23 NESWC towns are slated to pay the entire cost, estimated at \$40 million. They are seeking to have the court order MRI to pay for half the cost of the retrofit, Finegold says.

Meanwhile grassroots activists in the Merrimack Valley are fighting to close the plant entirely, contending it poses significant health hazards in the small geographic area with four other incinerators.

tors.

O'Brien says while state legislators and environmental officials are concentrating on the financial issues of the contract, the environmental activism is centered around the Merrimack Valley, home to the NESWC incinerator in North Andover, the Ogden-Martin plant in Lawrence and Haverhill, and the BFI medical incinerator in Lawrence.

O'Brien, a member of the NESWC caucus headed by Finegold and Sen. Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester), says the caucus members have pressed the agencies for answers on financial and environmental issues.

But because the financial issues of the NESWC contract affect more towns across the state than environmental issues, state officials are focusing on money, O'Brien says.

Neither the state Attorney General, Department of Environmental Protection, nor the federal Environmental Protection Agency have made any clear statements about whether or not shutting down the plant is an option, O'Brien says.

"It's incumbent upon regulators to give us a clear answer. They never have. If there are ways (to shut down

the plant), help us. Tell us how to go about it," O'Brien says.

Finegold and another 250 people concerned about NESWC, attended a hearing last week where environmental activists met with DEP officials to discuss the issues.

Local activist Anne Wein, a member of CARE (Concerned Andover Residents for the Environment) says she thinks Finegold's willingness to take a stand and advocate closing the plant is unusual for legislators.

She says she has found most state officials generally take a

hands-off approach about all NESWC issues.

"It seems they're hoping a solution will come from somewhere else," possibly because few people, including legislators, know much about the complicated issue.

Finegold says his work with the NESWC caucus in educating fellow legislators about NESWC issues has prompted one colleague to bar Finegold from saying "NESWC" in his presence.

So Finegold aims to take his show on the road, and hopefully bend the ears of U.S. senators John Kerry and Ted Kennedy.

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Attorney John Valerio has been practicing law since 1989. After receiving his J.D. degree from Suffolk Law School, Attorney Valerio spent several years as an assistant district attorney in Suffolk County D.A.'s office. He also worked as a member of Homicide Response Unit, a division of the D.A.'s office. Attorney Valerio soon found his passion for law as a criminal defense lawyer and worked additional time in a Boston law office.

Since 1994, Attorney Valerio has been serving the Andover community as a criminal defense counsel. He also handles personal injury, civil litigation, divorce and family law cases.

Attorney Valerio truly feels passion

for his work and receives a certain satisfaction for working with the "little guy" to large corporations. He believes our judicial system is very complex and difficult for the average person to interpret and he is there to help. "The legal system is so complicated, that one can easily violate a law without even being aware or realizing what one did was wrong," Attorney Valerio said. Attorney Valerio puts much attention and detail into his work. He compares his strategy to a game of chess, by always looking a move ahead to determine alternative courses for his client's defense.

Attorney Valerio believes that his expertise as a criminal defense attor-

ney also makes him a good lawyer for domestic relations cases. He feels both are similar in that they are emotional and exceedingly hard fought. "The work makes you better, and you rise to the occasion with the challenges," Attorney Valerio commented.

Attorney Valerio is a member of the Standards Committee for Essex County Bar Advocate Program, a member of the Steering Committee, a lecturer on criminal law, and has been a guest speaker at Tufts University on issues involving the defense of high profile criminal cases. Attorney Valerio's office is located at 10 Main St., Andover. Telephone (978) 749-3600. 4/16/98 Laurie Levy

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# 'Visionary' parking garage presented to selectmen

By Neil Fater

Is it so difficult to park downtown that Andover should spend \$100,000 to study parking needs and possible solutions? That's one of the questions Town Meeting voters will be asked to answer later this month.

Many people believe a parking garage is needed in part because 200 downtown workers cannot find parking in the downtown business district, says Norm Viehmann, of Lucerne Drive. They either park on residential curbs or scramble every few hours to move their cars and feed parking meters, he says.

Viehmann says he collected this information after spending the last several weeks conducting his own survey of downtown workers.

The self-confessed retired workaholic also has three citizen articles on the warrant, including one seeking \$4.2 million to build a multi-level parking garage at the Olde Andover Village lot off Main Street. But it appears he'll withdraw two of those articles and amend the third so that it seeks \$100,000 to study the parking issue and to pay for any designs needed to put a parking facility out to bid.

Viehmann has been working with the Planning Board, and it advised him to broaden the scope of the parking study. Chairman Michael Miller says the broader, comprehensive study is more likely to win support for a pricey solution, if one is

needed down the road.

"The original article almost prejudged the conclusion, that it was going to be a study for a multi-level garage and it even seemed to prejudge the place," says Miller.

The new study would look at several alternative solutions, including having remote parking with a shuttle service, to determine the best answer for Andover's problems, he says.

The reason for the survey is, "So we can put the issue of parking behind us and have a base to use to decide what's best for the town. This has been debated for many years," says Miller.

The Planning Board supported Viehmann's amended article Tuesday night. Waiting to see the Planning Board's reaction, selectmen did not vote on the amended article Monday, but the majority of the board did seem to support Viehmann's efforts.

"I like it because it's visionary," said Larry Larsen. "I also like it because it probably won't cost us anything in the long run."

Larsen said a downtown parking study, combined with the new downtown planner and \$2.5 million downtown grant, "marks the beginning of exciting times for downtown Andover."

But not every selectmen was so revved up by Viehmann's work. Brian Major suggested asking for \$25,000 instead of



Easy on the eyes — Resident Norman Viehmann says this parking facility in Hanover, N.H. proves a multi-level parking garage doesn't have to be an eyesore.

\$100,000, and Bill Downs questioned the need for a study at all.

"One of the problems I have is, we do have a study," said Downs. "I think it was done in 1987, and we haven't completed half the things that were recommended in that study."

Viehmann called that study "very much out of date," and said the new study would look at both who should build and who should operate a parking garage.

He clearly believes a multi-level park-

ing garage at Olde Andover Village is still the answer, and brought pictures of Hanover, N.H., garage to show selectmen.

Miller may not agree that a multi-level garage is the way to go, but he does agree the 1987 study may have lost some punch.

"I'm not sure that you'd say a 10- or 11-year-old study is totally useless, but there have been a lot of changes in the downtown," says Miller.

## Fields of dreams too costly?

By Neil Fater

Selectmen want to turn the old gravel pit at Recreation Park into several sports fields rocking with players' excitement. But the cost of building these fields already has the Finance Committee excited.

To put it simply, the town is asking Town Meeting voters to approve \$138,000 to design an entrance and exit road, two soccer fields, and a 60-foot softball and Little League diamond in the Rec Park pit.

But the actual construction of these fields is estimated in Andover's Capital Improvement plan to cost more than \$1 million, which is too rich for the Finance Committee's collective blood. It believes more fields could be built for the same money if other sites were used.

"This particular project seemed more reminiscent of a \$500 hammer," says Donald Schroeder, Finance Committee Chairman.

The \$138,000 for engineering and design of the field plans is one of eight separate projects included in Article 65, which seeks to spend \$1 million of the town's so-called free cash on one-time capital expenditures (see related story, this page).

Town Meeting is expected to take eight separate votes, one for each item, say officials.

Selectmen said they voted to design more fields at Rec Park for several reasons, including a desire to develop an underused resource.

"We here in town are in dire need of additional field space," says Brian Major. "This is one area of town where we could build fields and not run into a lot of roadblocks and obstructions."

"I agree with Mr. Major. I think if not now, then when? We need to fix something that will be a jewel," says Larry Larsen. "And I don't think it will cost \$1 million."

Schroeder says he'd prefer to see the selectmen deal with the not-in-my-backyard contingent and build more fields at other sites such as behind South and Sanborn elementary schools.

Selectmen Chairman Bill Downs has also come out against spending the green to put the three fields in the gravel pit.

"It's not that I don't want any ballfields, but I think this is the most expensive field we'll get into," says Downs. "I don't think it's a viable project."

## Skate park is on the warrant

By Neil Fater

Because Andover has saved more so-called free cash than its financial goals demand, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski is suggesting Town Meeting voters approve spending \$1 million on eight one-time capital projects.

One of these items Stapczynski hopes to get rolling is a skate park for in-line skaters and skateboarders.

"This is a dream a lot of us have been working hard at with (Youth Services Coordinator) Bill Fahey," says Mark Outwin, of High Vale Lane. "Skaters don't really have a place to go."

"We need something in town that's accessible," he says, adding that, "Skateboarding's something we love and we want to be able to do."

Besides \$45,000 for a skate park, Article 65 also contains:

- \$300,000 for improving storm drains;
- \$250,000 for aerial mapping of the town, to replace planning maps that are more than 20 years old;
- \$138,000 for engineering and design of playing fields at Rec Park (see related story);
- \$125,000 for closing a landfill;
- \$30,000 for replacing Pumps Pond docks and making other improvements;
- \$12,000 for designing a traffic signal at the intersection of Lovejoy and Dascomb Roads; and
- \$100,000 for other town capital projects.

But the biggest item on the list for many youth is the comparatively paltry \$45,000 for a skate park. Fahey believes the park will succeed because kids will help design it and help keep it clean.

"We find (that in) most parks that don't have

success, it was because the skaters were never involved or consulted," says Fahey. "My experience working with youth is if you get them involved in building a place, they don't turn around and destroy it."

Skaters have told selectmen they have worked with police and believe having an organized park to use will increase skaters' safety.

Fahey says the park will be in a central location, near a middle school, and on safe, town-owned land.

"Parking is not a huge issue because most people will get there via their boards or their skates," says Fahey.

Youth Services currently plans to build a temporary summertime park behind West Middle School, and is considering several sites, including behind Doherty Middle School, for a permanent park.

Depending on how the park is built, the area may be flooded in the winter and used for ice skating, says Selectman Brian Major.

Ronna Markell, of Chestnut Street, has questioned whether youth can get to a park at a school safely saying, "Some of the sidewalks are not safe, particularly not on Chestnut Street."

But one skater at a recent selectmen's meeting said he's never had a problem skating on a sidewalk.

"I do think they'd be as safe going (to the temporary West site) as they are going to school," says Andover police Officer Cecilia Blais. "They'd just have to use the same safety precautions they do on bicycles."

A skate-park meeting was scheduled yesterday, Wednesday, April 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Doherty's Memorial Auditorium.



# POLICE LOG

## ARRESTS

Saturday, April 11 - At 12:18 p.m., Francis F. Hanna, 37, of Swan Street, Methuen, was arrested on Summer Street and charged with driving with a suspended license and with the car's number plate obscured.

At 5:09 p.m., after police received a 911 call where a dispute could be heard in the background, officers were dispatched to 3 Sleepy Hollow Lane. There they arrested Said Naili, 43, of 3 Sleepy Hollow Lane, and charged him with assault and battery.

Sunday, April 12 - At 3:12 a.m., Wayne A. Dudley, 27, of Pelham Street, Methuen, was arrested on River Road and charged on a warrant for malicious damage over \$350 and for driving with a suspended license.

At 9:59 a.m., after a male came into the station and requested an officer accompany him to his girlfriend's apartment so he could retrieve belongings, an officer arrested Michael J. Medugno, 17, of 9 Crescent Drive, Andover, for assault and battery on a police officer, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

Tuesday, April 14 - At 12:35 p.m., Jeffrey A. Lewis, 30, of Mt. Vernon Street, Milford, N.H. was arrested on River Road and charged on a motor vehicle warrant.

## INCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 8 - At 7:59 p.m., a North Main Street resident reported a person yelling for help. A firefighter reported it had been the television.

Thursday, April 9 - At 10:17 a.m., a Cloverfield Circle caller reported a white van riding around whose owners were acting suspicious. An officer reported finding the van on Cloverfield Circle. It was owned by a couple of men who were cleaning a house with the owner present.

At 11:06 a.m., there was a report of an animal stuck in a North Main Street chimney. The animal control officer reported removing a duck. The animal control officer gave advice this week to at least two other residents with animals

stuck in their chimneys.

At 11:42 a.m., an ambulance was called to Balmoral Street for a man who was hit on the head by a falling tree limb.

Friday, April 10 - At 12:25 p.m., a library employee reported two youths throwing rocks from the roof. An officer brought the two back to the police station.

At 5:28 p.m., after a Sweeney Court resident called to report a neighbor was bothering her, another individual called and reported the first caller had hit her. An officer was to file a report on the incident.

At 9:05 p.m., after a report of a female at Dunkin Donuts who "appears to be on drugs (and is) crawling on the floor and unable to stand," an officer reported there was no problem. He spoke to the female and reported, "She is fine."

At 9:30 p.m., a Bailey Road man reported an old barn in the area had recently become a hangout for kids, who were drinking there and smashing bottles. Later that evening, an officer moved along a carload of youths.

Saturday, April 11 - At 7:01 a downtown coffee shop employee reported a customer who came behind the counter had just hit him with a broomstick and would not leave. An officer reported a verbal disagreement between a staff member and a regular customer.

At 8:38 p.m., a McKenney Circle resident reported losing a firearm while he was jogging the previous night.

At 10:31 p.m., a Railroad Street caller reported a party with underage drinking going on in the lobby of a building. An officer reported it was a 16th birthday party with no alcohol. The youths were drinking root beer, and the parents were advised of the complaint.

At 11:55 p.m., an ambulance was sent to Phillips Academy on Main Street for an intoxicated student.

Sunday, April 11 - At 4:16 p.m., a restraining order was issued after an Andover female reported being assaulted by her boyfriend.

Between 11:55 p.m. and 1:19 a.m., police received three calls

complaining of excessive noise from a Post Office Avenue apartment, but each time an officer went there the officer found the apartment to be quiet, with two females talking.

Monday, April 13 - At 5:05 p.m., an IRS employee reported her husband's ex-wife had assaulted her in the IRS parking lot the previous day.

## THEFTS

Wednesday, April 8 - At 3:13 p.m., a man came into the station to report the theft of a payroll check from the Andover Animal Hospital for about \$133, that had been cashed in Lowell.

At 3:48 p.m., a detective was to file a report about the use of a bad check at an Andover bridal shop.

At 11:22 p.m., a license plate was stolen on Dufton Road.

Friday, April 10 - At 3:47 p.m., a man reported someone had stolen his briefcase from a River Road hotel.

Saturday, April 11 - At 10:37 a.m., a Bradford man reported someone had stolen a credit card from his wallet the previous week while he was at the YMCA.

At 2:18 p.m., an officer was to file on someone trying to pass a bad check. An hour later a detective was to file a report on a bad check given to the Andover Cab company.

At 3:11 p.m., an officer was to file a report on a Lupine Road theft. The owner of Bodysense Yoga reported that a contractor she had hired had not performed all the work he should have, even though she had paid him \$91,500.

At 7:05 p.m., a Friendly's restaurant employee reported a customer had just walked out without paying a \$23.24 bill.

Sunday, April 12 - At 10:48 p.m., Village Liquors of Poor Street reported someone had just run out with a 30-pack of beer.

Monday, April 13 - At 3:45 p.m., a Balmoral Street woman reported someone had stolen a \$500 bike from the bike room a few days earlier.

Tuesday, April 14 - At 9:38 a.m., an employee reported a laptop computer had been taken from

Tech Drive company sometime since 5 p.m. the previous day.

At 3:57 p.m., a CVS employee reported a woman had paid for her prescription with a bad check and run out.

At 5:46 p.m., a Penbrook Circle woman reported she either lost or had a diamond bracelet stolen April 7.

## BREAKS

Sunday, April 12 - At 10:50 a.m., after a Yale Road man reported a car break, an officer reported the man's garage had been broken into so the thief could get into the vehicle.

At 6:55 p.m., a Harvard Road man reported returning home to find someone had broken into his home through his back door.

## CAR BREAKS

Thursday, April 9 - Between 10:16 p.m. and 11:06 p.m., there were reports of five car breaks at the Grill 93.

Saturday, April 11 - At 6:59 a.m., a Dartmouth Road caller reported someone had stolen his yellow 1994 Mustang during the night.

Monday, April 13 - At 6:22 a.m., a North Street caller reported someone had broken into his van during the

night.

## ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 8 - At 11:14 a.m., an officer was to file on a hit-and-run at Shawsheen Plaza, an "honest mistake" that occurred Monday afternoon.

At 2:50 p.m., a School Street man reported that a truck had hit the edge of his building and was no longer at the site.


Friday, April 10 - At 5:51 p.m., there was a report of a three-car accident on Main Street without personal injury.

At 11:47 p.m., there were numerous reports about a Vine Street accident with injuries. The Jaws of Life and ambulances were called to the scene.

Tuesday, April 14 - At 2:52 p.m., callers reported an accident on North Main Street that caused a minor laceration to one person's hand. At 3:33 p.m., an accident with injuries was reported on Lowell Street. An elderly woman was suffering from scraped arms and chest soreness as a result of air-bag injuries.

## VANDALISM

There were three reported cases of vandalism this week.




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# EVENTS CALENDAR LISTINGS

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food, entertainment, raffle, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$5 adults, \$3 members, seniors, students, free ages under 6, American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

**Open studio and sale,** studio tours, potter demonstrations, refreshments, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Purple Sage Pottery, 3 Mechanic St., Merrimac; (978) 346-9978.

**All in the Timing,** see entry under Friday, April 17.

**Oklahoma!** see entry under Friday, April 24.

**Auditions,** girls ages 8-11 for *Annie*, rehearsals begin June 15, 35 hours a week, production dates June 29-July 18, 10 a.m., North Shore Music Theatre, Arts and Education Building, Beverly; Audition hotline (978) 922-8500, Ext. 277.

**March for parks,** to raise funds for all Lowell's parks, 6.2-mile self-paced walk through historic Lowell, begin anytime between 8:30 a.m. and noon, begins and ends at Lowell National Historical Park's Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; (978) 5000.

## SUNDAY, April 26

**Boston Beatles Expo '98** featuring live entertainment from three Beatles' tribute bands, International Beatles Marketplace and Rock 'n Roll Flea Market, screening of rare videos and never-before-seen clips and Beatles Penny Auction, 1-8 p.m., \$7 at all Strawberries locations, \$10 at door, Ramada Rolling Green Inn & Conference Center, 311 Lowell St.; Charles F. Rosenay (203) 891-8433.

**Open studio and sale,** noon-5 p.m., see entry under Saturday, April 25.

**Tour, The Great House,** 59-room Stuart-style mansion, 1-4 p.m., \$7 adults, \$5 children, Castle Hill, Ipswich; (978) 356-4351.

**Topsfield bike ride,** sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, 35 miles, 10 a.m.; Carol Bernhard (978) 373-6874.

**Bay Circuit trail hike,** sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, 6-7 miles, meet Ipswich River Bridge; Pat Glennon (978) 356-0670.

**Fashion show luncheon,** sponsored by the Ladies Philoptochos Society of Transfigura-

tion Greek Orthodox Church, featuring fashions by Cristina's of Andover, proceeds benefit the philanthropic ministries of the Ladies Philoptochos Society, 12:30 p.m., \$40 adults, \$20 children ages 6-12, Westford Regency, 219 Littleton Road, Westford; Ann (978) 692-0187.

**Rabies and low-cost health clinic** for cats and dogs, sponsored by MSPCA Animal Shelter and Methuen Health Department, \$7 rabies or distemper shot, \$10 both shots, noon-4 p.m., Science Wing, Methuen High School, 1 Ranger Road, Methuen; MSPCA 687-7453.

**Open House,** Beyond That Which Has Been, Center for Healing and Education, 1-5 p.m., 93 Main St.; 474-9009.

**Lecture, "Restoring Hope,"** by Cornel West on race relations in America, 6:45 p.m., Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue, Phillips Academy campus; Sharon A. Britton 749-4295.

**Armenian Genocide observance,** sponsored by Armenian Genocide Commemorative Committee of the Merrimack Valley, Armenian

music and a requiem service followed by a reception in cafeteria, 3 p.m., West Middle School Auditorium, Shawsheen Road; Sossy Jeknavorian (978) 256-2538, Tom Vartabedian (978) 373-1654 or Albert Movsesian (978) 685-2577.

**Concert,** University of New Hampshire Gospel Choir, 4 p.m., refreshments, free-will offering, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 163 East Haverhill St., Lawrence; 682-4215.

**Worship service** to celebrate 30 years of Phillips

Academy's Afro-Latino American Society, 10:30 a.m., Cochran Chapel, Cochran Avenue, Phillips Academy campus.

**Faculty voice recital,** tenor Allen Combs, 3 p.m., Graves Hall, Timken Room, Phillips Academy campus.

## ONGOING

### Museums and Historic Homes

**Andover Historical Society** permanent exhibit: Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s

to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools, currently on display is the Society's pewter exhibit; library and office hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, Mondays by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

**Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology,** Main and Phillips Streets, *Origins and Ancestors: Investigating Paleo-Indians in New England*, explores the landscape now called New England at the end of the last Ice Age, from 13,000 to 11,000 years

ago, and its first inhabitants, particular focus on recent discoveries about these people and their rapidly changing environment, through July 31, Tuesday through Friday noon-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., free; 749-4490.

**North Andover Historical Society,** 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, permanent and changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th-

to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 686-4035.

**Lowell National Historic Park,** history of the American Industrial Revolution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals, Suffolk Mill Water Power Tour, a 90-minute program, 2:30 p.m., Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell, *Child Labor: Documentary Photography and the Quest for Reform*, historical and contemporary views of child labor in the U.S. and around the world through the photographs of Lewis W. Hine and David L. Parker, gallery hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, closed on various holidays, Boott Gallery, 40 Foot of John Street; Suffolk Mill Turbine Exhibit, noon-4:30 p.m.; tours include Nature of the Merrimack; Canal and River Cruise; Harnessing the Merrimack; Pawtucket Canal Tour; Spindle City Bike Series; Suffolk Mill Waterpower Tour; Downtown Tour; Working People Exhibit; Boott Cotton Mills Museum; (978) 970-5000.



◀ **Andover residents Keith Sherman (left) and Rich McManus are working on Quannapowitt Players' production of David Ives' *All in the Timing*.** McManus is part of the cast and Sherman is property manager. *All in the Timing* is a blend of comedy sketches that combine wit, intellect, satire and fun. McManus' use of Ives' crafted words creates a vignette of contemporary humor and dilemma with hysterical results. Performances begin April 17 and run weekends until May 9. All Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m., with a Sunday, May 3, performance at 7 p.m. The theater is located at 55 Hopkins St., in Reading. To reserve tickets or for information, call the box office at (978) 942-2212.

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◀ The sixth-graders topped off the week with their own "Great Shout Out" against smoking by gathering outside and shouting with their loudest voices against the dangers of smoking.

## SCHOOL TALK

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Hero Athlete, and a United States Jaycees Ambassador.

Drorbaugh told the students how cancer had taken the lives of both his parents when he was a young child and a close friend, and threatened his sister's health. He chose to use his anger, sadness and depression over these losses to work toward uniting a global community committed to ending cancer in our lifetime while raising awareness and money for cancer research. The students were astonished to learn that Drorbaugh and three other bicyclists embarked on a ride that took them across 13,665 cycled miles, through 32 countries, and over six continents in 344 days to raise money for the Jimmy Fund, with 100 percent of the contributions going toward cancer research at the Dana-Farber Research Institute. He amazed the students with his stories, slides, and videos of obstacles they encountered with bike repairs, language barriers, culture shock, phone problems, and rain storms. He emphasized how completing the trip successfully was only possible when he accepted the help and support of others along the way. He spoke of how cancer does not discriminate and has no borders, and of how he chose to do something positive by biking around the world.

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Girls in grades 5 through 9 hoping to gain some insight on their futures may attend "Women in the Workplace" Saturday, April 18, from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Northern Essex Community College in Lawrence. The program will provide an opportunity for girls to learn more about careers by

meeting with professional women in a variety of fields.

Workshops will be conducted by women in fields as diverse as civil engineer and midwife. These volunteers will describe their profession, background and experience, and work with the girls on an activity the professional might do during her work day. Opening remarks will be made by a newspaper publisher and a career coun-

selor and girls will have the chance to assist a chef with the preparation of a snack.

The "Women in the Workplace" program is sponsored by Spar and Spindle Girl Scout Council and will include Girl Scout and non-Girl Scout participants. Limited spaces are still available.

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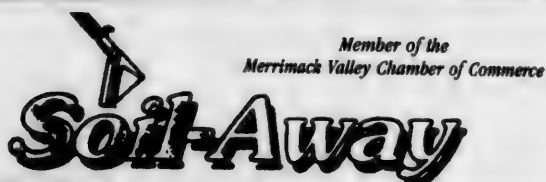
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# SPORTS

## AHS ROUNDUP

By Rick Harrison

Big sophomore righthander Paul Wysocki fired a four-hitter in his varsity pitching debut, and Ben Gibson belted a two-run homer, as Andover defeated non-league foe Revere 5-2 in a battle of two top-ranked Eastern Massachusetts Division 1 high school baseball teams.

Andover was No. 3 and Revere No. 5 in the pre-season polls.

Elsewhere, the AHS softball team chalked up its first victory of the spring, while both tennis teams (4-0) and the boys volleyball squad (5-0) remained undefeated.

## BASEBALL

Andover opened defense of its Eastern Mass. Division 1 North title with a solid performance against Greater Boston League power Revere, spotting the Patriots a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning before Wysocki and Gibson took control.

### Schedule

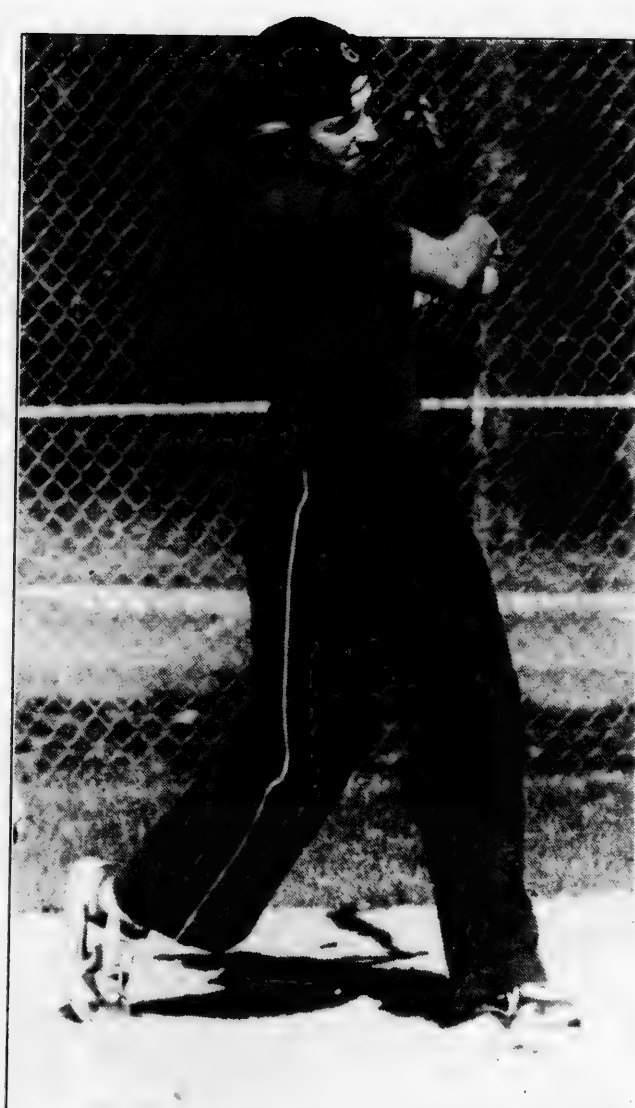
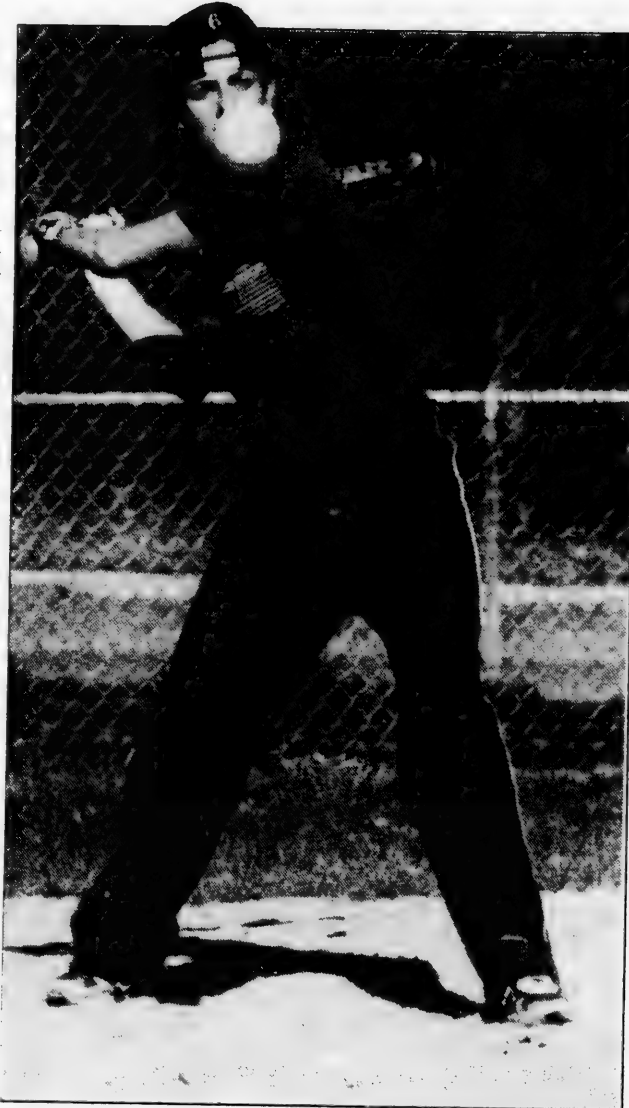
The Golden Warriors return to action next Monday with another non-league home game against Peabody (10:30 a.m.), and the Merrimack Valley Conference season opens Wednesday with a third straight home game against projected league Division 1 title contender Chelmsford (2 p.m.).

### Andover 5 Revere 2

Wysocki, at 6-foot-5 an imposing figure on the mound, was nicked for a pair of unearned runs in the first before settling down to pitch shutout ball the rest of the way.

He struck out six, walked four and all four Revere hits were singles.

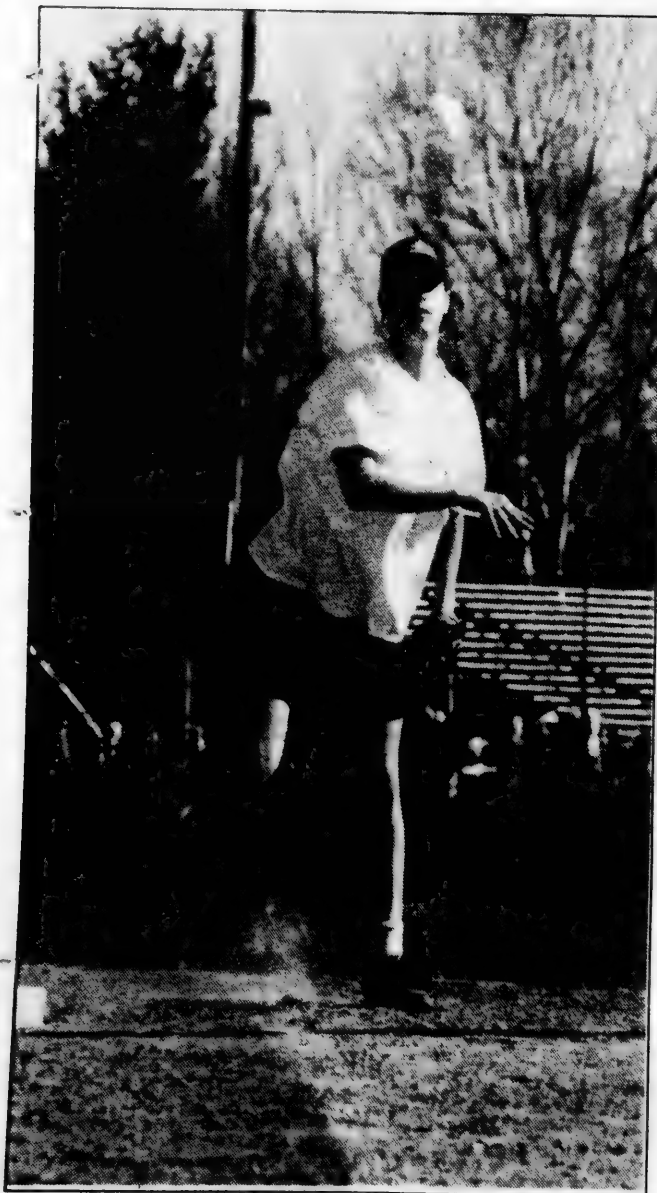
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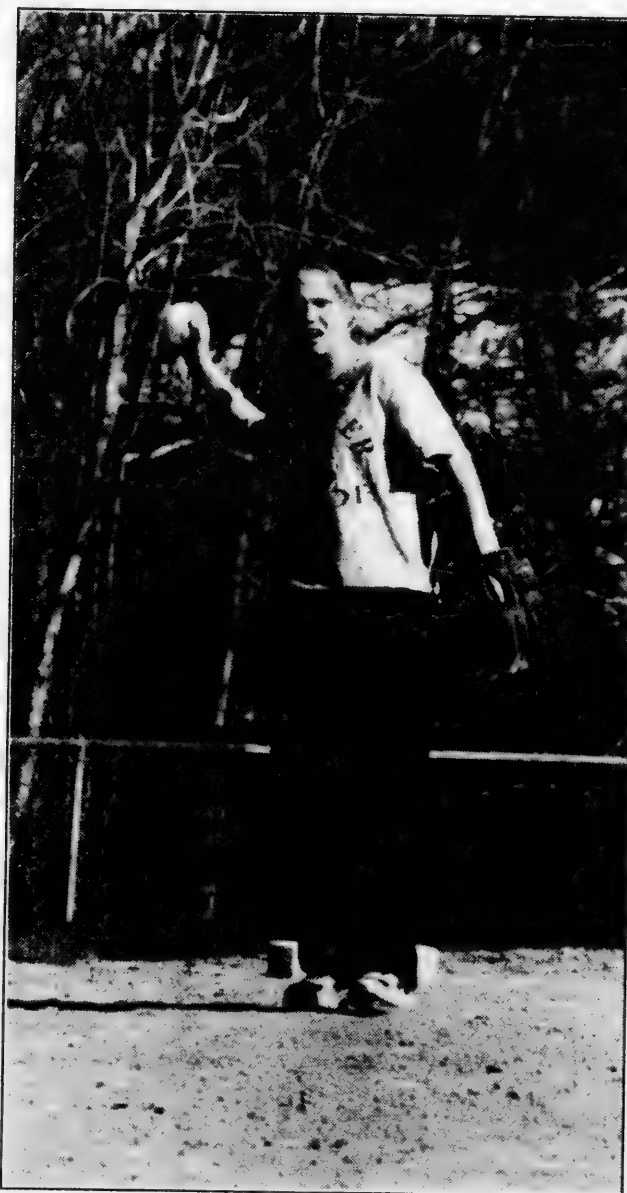
Now you see it; now you don't — Warriors catcher Courtney Famiglietti keeps her eye on the ball.

## Sharpening their skills: Lady Warriors playing very competitive softball this spring

Photos by Lisa Adelsberger



Lisa Tisbert — Shortstop



Kaitlin Dargan — 3rd Base



Taylor Traub — 2nd Base



## BASEBALL

ANDOVER 5, REVERE 2  
at Andover High

Revere — Marino c 3-0-0, Coppola 1b 4-1-1, Long cf 3-0-0, Coro lf 4-1-1, Billingsley rf 1-0-1, Mack ss 3-0-1, Cifoni dh 2-0-0, Vesce 3b 2-0-0, Conroy 2b 3-0-0, Cohane p 0-0-0. Totals: 25-2-4.

Andover — Rob Oppenheim 2b 4-0-2, Scott Petersen 3b 3-1-0, Ryan Hanigan c 3-0-0, Ben Gibson 1b 3-2-2, Joe Maglio rf 3-1-1, Mark Rocca dh 2-0-0, Rick Johnson ss 1-0-0, Christian Sempere lf 2-1-0, Dan Hughes cf 1-0-0, Paul Wysocki p 0-0-0. Totals: 22-5-5.

Revere	200	000	0	—	2
Andover	200	300	x	—	5

RBI: A, Gibson 2, Oppenheim 1, Petersen 1, Johnson 1; R, Coro 1. SB: Sempere. SF: Johnson. HR: Gibson (1). WP: Paul Wysocki (1-0) 7ip 4h 2r 0er 4bb 6k. LP: Cohane. Records: Andover 1-0, Revere 0-2.

## Injury report

Lindsey Pearson continues to rehab her injured back, and junior pitcher Michelle Carpenter is expected to be sidelined for two weeks as a result of a back injury sustained in the first inning of the season opener against Methuen.

Andover 3  
Westford 1

AHS freshman pitcher Laura Stone stepped squarely into the spotlight by tossing a complete-game four-hitter for the victory in her first varsity start.

Stone struck out six, walked two and the only Westford run was unearned.

It marked a pleasant homecoming of sorts for Ragucci, an assistant softball coach at Westford before taking the head job at AHS last spring.

"It was nice to do well against them and against (head coach) Mike (Parent)," said Ragucci. "They have a young team, but it's a very good program and Mike does a terrific job every year. This is a significant win for us."

The Lady Warriors are not very old themselves, with three freshman starters who fill the first, third and fifth slots in the batting order.

The host team jumped ahead 2-0 in the bottom of the first at the West Middle School field.

Freshman leadoff batter Taylor Traub reached on a dropped third strike, junior Lisa Sawin was hit by a pitch, and the runners advanced into scoring position on a wild pitch.

Traub raced across on freshman Lisa Tisbert's infield out, and Sawin scored the eventual winning run moments later on a passed ball.

It remained 2-0 until the fifth, when Andover added an insurance run. Traub was hit in the hand by a pitch, took second on a wild pitch, stole third and scampered home on Sawin's RBI infield out.

The Grey Ghosts spoiled Stone's shutout bid in the top of the sixth, when Katie Hennessey ripped a double and scored on the only AHS error of the game.

"Nothing spectacular, but we made the key plays and were solid all-around defensively," said Ragucci.

AHS squandered several other scoring chances, leaving runners stranded at third base in the first and fourth frames and at second and third in the sixth.

The locals managed only four singles against Westford freshman hurler Noelle Berard, who fanned five and walked only two.

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## AHS ROUNDUP

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"Paul is real quick. He throws BBs — and he's only going to get better," said coach Ken Maglio. "Revere was a good test for him. They aren't timid. They come off the bus swinging the bat."

After falling behind 2-0, AHS tied it in the bottom of the first inning when Scott Petersen reached on a two-base throwing error and Ben Gibson launched a two-run homer into the teeth of a wind blowing in from center field.

The only other scoring came in the fourth when the Golden Warriors pushed across three runs while hitting only two balls out of the infield.

Gibson ripped a leadoff single to center, Joe Maglio beat out a bunt, and both runners advanced on Mark Rocca's infield out.

Rick Johnson lofted a sacrifice fly to center for the go-ahead run, and consecutive walks to junior Christian Sempere, sophomore Dan Hughes and Rob Oppenheim (RBI) forced home an insurance run.

Petersen was then hit by a pitch with the bases loaded to plate Sempere with the final tally.

Leadoff batter Oppenheim contributed a pair of singles to the five-hit

attack, and he also played a strong defensive game at second base.

## SOFTBALL

The Lady Warriors continued to play a very competitive brand of softball, chalking up a 3-1 non-league victory over Westford Academy before dropping a tough 8-7 non-league decision to Merrimack Valley Conference rival Haverhill.

"We're definitely playing everyone tougher this year," said coach Stephanie Ragucci. "But, even though we've been close in both our losses, a loss is still a loss and we need wins to establish the program."

## Schedule

The Lady Warriors (1-2 overall) had a tough assignment yesterday against visiting MVC Division 2 power Tewksbury (2-0) and ace pitcher Heidi VonKahle, and tomorrow AHS hosts Notre Dame Academy of Tyngsboro (0-1) at the West Middle School Field (3:30 p.m.).

Next week the locals have a non-league rematch at Westford Academy on Monday (11 a.m.), and host MVC Division 1 rival Billerica on Wednesday (2 p.m.).

## SOFTBALL

ANDOVER 3, WESTFORD 1  
at West Middle School

Westford Academy — Jamie Russo c 3-0-0, Faith L'Esperance 3b 3-0-0, Katie Hennessey cf 3-1-2, Kaitlin Conley 1b 3-0-1, Catherine McGuirk ss 3-0-0, Becky Andersen rf 2-0-1, Noelle Berard p 3-0-0, Jackie Shelvey lf 1-0-0, Kristen Ablandi lf 1-0-0, Keli Hennessey 2b 1-0-0, Lisa Lukiewski 2b 2-0-0. Totals: 25-1-4.

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 3-2-1, Lisa Sawin cf 3-1-0, Lisa Tisbert ss 3-0-0, Courtney Famiglietti c 3-0-2, Laura Stone p 3-0-0, Jen Roberge lf 2-0-0, Kaitlin Dargan 3b 3-0-1, Julie Litzenberger 1b 2-0-0, Lacey Eggert rf 2-0-0, Michelle Langone rf 0-0-0. Totals: 25-3-4.

Westford	000	001	0	—	1
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RBI: A, Tisbert 1, Sawin 1. 2B: Kate Hennessey. WP: Laura Stone (1-0) 7ip 4h 1r 0er 2bb 6k. LP: Noelle Berard 6ip 4h 3r 0er 2bb 5k.

HAVERHILL 8, ANDOVER 7  
at Haverhill

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 4-1-0, Jen Roberge lf 3-0-1, Lisa Tisbert ss 3-1-0, Courtney Famiglietti c 4-1-1, Laura Stone p 4-0-0, Kaitlin Dargan 3b 4-1-2, Julie Viola 1b 4-1-2, Julie Litzenberger dp 3-1-1, Lisa Sawin cf 3-1-0, Samantha Aufiero rf 0-0-0, Lacey Eggert rf 0-0-0. Totals: 32-7-7.

Haverhill — Barrett lf 2-1-0, Bolduc lf 1-0-0, Buturlia cf 2-2-0, Pacione 3b 4-0-2, Dusombre ss 4-2-1, Merritt c 3-2-1, Burke 1b 4-0-0, Martin dp 2-0-1, Rader rf 2-0-0, Grazio rf 1-0-0, McMahon 2b 2-1-1, Torla p 0-0-0, Molesso 3b 1-0-0, Erwin ph 1-0-0. Totals: 29-8-6.

Andover	000	030	4	—	7
Haverhill	430	000	1	—	8

RBI: H, Merritt 2, Pacione 1, Martin 1; A, Roberge 1, Tisbert 1, Famiglietti 1, Dargan 1, Viola 1. 3B: Merritt. SF: Tisbert, Famiglietti. WP: Amy Torla 7ip 7h 7r 3er 3bb 9k. LP: Laura Stone (1-1) 7ip 6h 8r 4er 4bb 8k. Records: Haverhill 2-0, Andover 1-2.

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# AHS ROUNDUP

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She hurt herself by hitting two batters, both of whom scored, and uncorking several wild pitches.

Junior catcher Courtney Famiglietti laced two singles for the winners, while Traub and junior Kaitlin Dargan added one single each.

Katie Hennessey doubled and singled for Westford.

## Haverhill 8

### Andover 7

This one turned into a near carbon copy of the season-opening 8-6 loss to Methuen.

Once again the locals fell behind

big at the beginning, trailing 7-0 after two innings, and then rallied with three runs in the fifth and four more in the top of the seventh to pull even.

The Hillies (2-0) ended it in the bottom of the seventh, however, by pushing across an unearned run.

"We didn't come out ready to play," said Ragucci. "We missed some routine plays in the first two innings and it cost us."

"It was nice to see the girls come back strongly again, but we can't keep digging these early holes. We're definitely on a par with Haverhill, though, and that's encouraging."

Trailing 7-0, Andover launched its comeback in the fifth by loading the

bases on a Julie Litzenberger single, a walk to Lisa Sawin and an error on Taylor Traub's infield grounder.

Jen Roberge walked to force home the first run, and then consecutive sacrifice flies were lofted by Lisa Tisbert and Courtney Famiglietti.

Tisbert opened the four-run seventh-inning rally by drawing a one-out walk. Famiglietti singled, and with two outs Kaitlin Dargan and Capt. Julie Viola laced back-to-back RBI singles to trim the deficit to 7-5.

Litzenberger followed with an infield tapper that was misplayed and resulted in a wild throw, allowing Dargan and Viola to race across with the tying runs.

Litzenberger, representing the go-ahead run, ended up on third but was left stranded when the next batter popped out to first base.

The Hillies won it in the home half on a walk, sacrifice bunt and two-base throwing error.

Laura Stone (1-1) again pitched a solid game, spacing six hits over seven innings while

striking out eight and walking four. Only half the Haverhill runs were earned.

Amy Torla allowed seven hits and three earned runs for the winners, whiffing nine and walking three.

Andover left runners at first and second base in both the first and sixth innings.

Dargan and Viola led the AHS offense with two hits each while Roberge, Famiglietti and Litzenberger had one single apiece.

Viola played well defensively at first base.

## TENNIS

Both Andover High teams rolled to consecutive 5-0 shutouts of Lowell, Chelmsford and Lawrence to improve to 4-0 overall this spring.

The AHS girls have now won 115 straight league matches and 188 of their last 189, while the boys have captured 88 straight conference matches.

### Schedule

Both AHS squads squared off against Billerica yesterday.

The Lady Warriors host Tewksbury tomorrow (3:30) at the AHS courts, and then both teams are idle over the spring vacation before returning to MVC play Monday, April 27 against Methuen.

The Methuen girls, although undefeated (3-0), do not figure to present a serious challenge.

## Andover girls 5 Chelmsford 0

The Lady Warriors captured all five matches in straight sets, dropping only five games in singles and eight in doubles.

Freshman Robin Young rolled to a 6-3, 6-1 win over the Lions' Stephanie Wu at first singles.

Capt. Lauren Roda cruised past Kirsten Learson 6-1, 6-0 at second singles, and freshman Michelle Leahy completed the blitz with a 6-0, 6-0 bagel of Jen Talbot.

In doubles, the sophomore combo of Jill Oppenheim and Amy Axelrod continued to click with a 6-2, 6-0 romp over Joyce Wong and Sapna Shah at No. 1.

## GIRLS TENNIS

### ANDOVER 5, LOWELL 0

at Andover High

#### Singles

Robin Young (A) def. Nicole Rodger, 6-0, 6-0

Lauren Roda (A) def. Meghan Rourke, 6-1, 6-0

Michelle Leahy (A) def. Jill Lang, 6-2, 6-2

#### Doubles

Jill Oppenheim & Amy Axelrod (A) def. Patti Landry & Kerry Akashian, 6-0, 6-0  
Emily Wilner & Jenna Bernstein (A) def. Alexandra Maraganis & Kathleen Dolan, 6-2, 6-1

### ANDOVER 5, CHELMSFORD 0

at McCarthy Jr. High, Chelmsford

#### Singles

Robin Young (A) def. Stephanie Wu, 6-3, 6-1

Lauren Roda (A) def. Kirsten Learson, 6-1, 6-0

Michelle Leahy (A) def. Jen Talbot, 6-0, 6-0

#### Doubles

Jill Oppenheim & Amy Axelrod (A) def. Joyce Wong & Sapna Shah, 6-2, 6-0  
Andrea Wegner & Erica Tebbetts (A) def. Melissa Shattuck & Lisa Tereshko, 6-2, 6-4

### ANDOVER 5, LAWRENCE 0

at Mt. Vernon Park, Lawrence

#### Singles

Michelle Leahy (A) def. Holly Peterson, 6-0, 6-0

Caitlin Burke (A) def. Claritza Fatiz, 6-1, 6-0

Andrea Wegner (A) def. Nhung Le, 6-1, 6-0

#### Doubles

Emily Wilner & Jenna Bernstein (A) def. Tania Gil & Lisa Brito, 6-0, 6-0  
Ryoko Matsuura & Sara Tuman (A) def. Melish Minaya & Snow Peterson, 6-1, 6-0  
**Records:** Andover 4-0, Lawrence 0-4.

## BOYS TENNIS

### ANDOVER 5, LOWELL 0

at Shedd Park, Lowell

#### Singles

Matt Rose (A) def. Jimmy Manning, 6-0, 6-3

Dave Gutstein (A) def. Casey Magee, 6-2, 6-1

Evan Sideman (A) def. Brent Smith, 6-0, 6-1

#### Doubles

Alan Hibino & Pete Hughes (A) def. Dan Tobin & Corey Smith, 6-1, 6-1  
Jordan Klein & Mike Meagher (A) def. Jimmy Quach & Ben Faust, 6-2, 6-4

### ANDOVER 5, CHELMSFORD 0

at Andover High

#### Singles

Matt Rose (A) def. Dave Branco, 6-0, 6-0

Dave Gutstein (A) def. Sid Tickoo, 6-0, 6-0

Evan Sideman (A) def. Tony Bains, 6-2, 6-1

#### Doubles

Alan Hibino & Pete Hughes (A) def. Kevin Billington & Dan Cohen, 6-1, 6-3  
Gabe Adams & Jordan Klein (A) def. Charlie Carmeris & Dave Sims, 6-2, 6-3

### ANDOVER 5, LAWRENCE 0

at Andover High

#### Singles

Evan Sideman (A) def. Antonio Donis, 6-0, 6-0

Rich Roda (A) def. Lang Le, 6-1, 6-1

Sky Chien (A) def. Roberto Zayas, 6-0, 6-0

#### Doubles

Andy Jacobs & Mike Meagher (A) def. Paul Siman & Johnny Sabando, 6-0, 6-0  
Andy Rubin & Kevin Zuena (A) def. Nguyen Dang & Josh Santiago, 6-0, 6-0  
**Records:** Andover 4-0, Lawrence 0-4.



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# ROUNDUP

Junior Andrea Wegner and sophomore Erica Tebbetts took longer at second doubles before posting a straight-set 6-2, 6-4 triumph over Melissa Shattuck and Lisa Tereshko.

## Andover girls 5 Lowell 0

Only five games were lost in singles and three in doubles as the Lady Warriors tamed the visiting Red Raiders.

Robin Young mastered Nicole Rodger 6-0, 6-0 at first singles, Lauren Roda ripped Meghan Rourke 6-1, 6-0 at second singles, and Michelle Leahy stopped Jill Lang 6-2, 6-2 in the third slot.

Jill Oppenheim and Amy Axelrod trounced Patti Landry and Kerry Akashian 6-0, 6-0, and at second doubles Capt. Emily Wilner and sophomore Jenna Bernstein humbled Lowell's Alexandra Maraganis and Kathleen Dolan 6-2, 6-1.

## Andover girls 5 Lawrence 0

The lineup was juggled but the results were the same, as the Lady

Warriors lost only two games in singles and one in doubles.

Freshman Michelle Leahy played first singles and rolled to a 6-0, 6-0 sweep of the Lancers' Holly Peterson.

Junior Caitlin Burke moved in at second singles and chalked up a 6-1, 6-0 win over Claritza Fatiz, and junior Andrea Wegner at third singles posted a resounding 6-1, 6-0 triumph against Nhung Le.

In doubles, Capt. Emily Wilner and sophomore Jenna Bernstein crushed Tania Gil and Lisa Brito, 6-0, 6-0.

Seniors Ryoko Matsuura and Sara Tuman teamed for a 6-1, 6-0 blast past Melish Minaya and Snow Peterson at second doubles.

## Andover boys 5 Chelmsford 0

The only match in doubt was second doubles, where the Golden Warriors' duo of freshman Gabe Adams and sophomore Jordan Klein had to come from behind for a three-set 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 victory over the Lions' Charlie Carmeris and Dave

Sims.

Capt. Alan Hibino and Peter Hughes were much less stressed at first doubles, registering a 6-1, 6-3 conquest of the visitors' Kevin Billington and Dan Cohen.

In singles, freshman Matt Rose and Capt. Dave Gutstein rolled to identical 6-0, 6-0 white washes of Chelmsford's Dave Branco and Sid Tickoo at No. 1 and 2 respectively.

Sophomore Evan Sideman also had little trouble with Tony Bains on the way to a 6-2, 6-1 win.

"It was a cold, windy morning but everything fell our way," noted

coach Mike Wartman.

## Andover boys 5 Lowell 0

Once again singles was a breeze for top three Matt Rose, Dave Gutstein and Evan Sideman.

Rose ripped the Red Raiders' Jimmy Manning 6-0, 6-3, Gutstein handled Casey Magee 6-2, 6-1 and Sideman slugged Brent Smith 6-0, 6-1 at Lowell's refurbished Shedd Park courts.

There was minimal drama in doubles, with the top AHS tandem of Alan Hibino and Pete Hughes trimming Lowell hockey standout Dan Tobin and Corey Smith

6-1, 6-1.

Jordan Klein and sophomore Mike Meagher won the key points in a 6-2, 6-4 sweep of Ben Faust and Jim Quach.

## Andover boys 5 Lawrence 0

The winless Lancers (0-4) were no match for a juggled Golden Warriors' lineup in this match at the AHS courts.

Undefeated Evan Sideman (4-0) took his turn at first singles and rolled to a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Antonio Donis.

Freshman Rich Roda wore down Lang Le 6-1, 6-1, and freshman Sky Chien's varsity debut at

third singles produced a 6-0, 6-0 breeze past Roberto Zayas.

In doubles, sophomore partners Andy Jacobs and Mike Meagher entered a 6-0, 6-0 groove against Paul Siman and Johnny Sabando.

Junior veterans Andy Rubin and Kevin Zuena completed the romp with a similar 6-0, 6-0 triumph against Lawrence's Nguyen Dang and Josh Santiago.

## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Off to one of their best starts, coach George Sullivan's netmen improved to 5-0 after rolling to successive 2-0 Merrimack Valley Conference victories over Haverhill, Chelmsford and Central Catholic.

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## Individual Leaders

**Kills:** A, Jeff Danis 8, Ryan Slavin 4, Kevin Hess 4, Dave Nichols 4.  
**Hitting:** A, Danis 18-for-22, Nichols 10-for-11, Slavin 10-for-14, Hess 9-for-10, Ben Mertes 7-for-7, Jim Newell 6-for-7, Matt Gilmore 5-for-5, Blake McCauley 4-for-5.

## Team Stats

**Serving:** A, 40-for-43.

**JV Score:** Andover 2, Chelmsford 0.

ANDOVER 2, HAVERHILL 0  
at Haverhill High

Andover	15	15
Haverhill	5	10

## Individual Leaders

**Kills:** A, Jeff Danis 8, Dave Nichols 4, Ryan Slavin 4.

**JV Score:** Andover 2, Haverhill 0.

ANDOVER 2, CENTRAL CATHOLIC 0  
at Dunn Gymnasium

Central Catholic	8	2
Andover	15	15

## Individual Leaders

**Kills:** Jeff Danis 4, Dave Nichols 2. **Blocks:** Nichols 5. **Service Aces:** Jim Newell 1, Ryan Slavin 1, Danis 1. **Hitting:** Nichols 11-for-14, Newell 8-for-8, Kevin Hess 7-for-7, Danis 10-for-12, Matt Gilmore 3-for-3. **Serving:** Newell 8-for-8, Matt Rogers 6-for-6, Hess 6-for-6, Slavin 5-for-5, Danis 5-for-5, Blake McCauley 4-for-4, Peter Maguire 4-for-5. **Passing:** Newell 6-for-6, Rogers 3-for-3, Danis 3-for-4.

## Team Stats

**Hitting:** A, 55-for-60. **Serving:** A, 40-for-42. **Serve-Receive:** A, 15-for-17. **Blocking:** A, 10-for-13.

**JV Score:** Andover 2, Central Catholic 0.

**Varsity Records:** Andover 5-0, Central Catholic 0-5.

## AHS ROUNDUP

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MVC Division 1 first-place showdown match at likewise-undefeated St. John's Prep (6-0) last night in Danvers.

The locals are at Methuen tomorrow (4 p.m.) and host Billerica at the Dunn Gymnasium next Wednesday (2 p.m.).

Andover 2  
Haverhill 0

The Golden Warriors had it in cruise control for this 15-5, 15-10 sweep of the host Hillies.

"We were asleep during parts of both games," said Sullivan. "We got off to very slow starts. The kids seemed to be thinking about the long (Easter) weekend. They played tired at times and weren't completely focused."

"However, when the wakeup call came they played very well."

Leading the offense were Capt. Jeff Danis with eight kills, along with junior Dave Nichols and sophomore Ryan Slavin four kills each.

Peter Maguire played excellent defense, and also picked apart the Haverhill defense with his accurate serving.

Other defensive standouts were Capt. Matt Rogers and outside hitter Jack Nolan.

Andover, trailing 6-2 early in the second game, evened the score at 8-8 and pulled away with a 7-2 closing run. AHS played without junior middle

hitter Ben Mertes, who was in New York for the holiday weekend.

The Andover JVs chalked up a 2-0 victory in the prelim.

Andover 2  
Chelmsford 0

The locals rolled to a 15-4, 15-10 sweep at the Dunn Gym, although visiting Chelmsford rallied from an 11-3 second-game deficit to make it interesting.

"We lost focus for a brief time in the second game," said Sullivan. "That

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# ROUNDUP

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was partly due to substitutions. Everyone played.

"We moved the ball around well, and had only three bad serves (40-for-43) and two bad serve-receives in the match."

Jeff Danis again led the attack with eight kills and 18 good hits in 22

attempts.

Contributing four kills each were Dave Nichols (10-of-11 hitting), sophomore setter Kevin Hess (9-of-10 hitting) and Ryan Slavin (10-of-14 hitting).

Other top hitters were Ben Mertes (7-for-7), Matt Gilmore (5-for-5), junior Jim Newell (6-for-7) and Blake McCauley (4-for-5).

Andover JVs

The AHS junior varsity registered a 2-0 victory in the prelim, winning by

15-7 and 15-10 scores. Top hitters were Mike Johnson and Pat Hogarty, while Kyle McCauley and Brian Galluzzo played strong defense and excelled as setters.

Andover 2

Central Catholic 0

The Golden Warriors were close to perfection in every major statistic as they cruised to the 15-8, 15-2 sweep over winless CCHS at the Dunn Gymnasium.

AHS was 55-for-60 hitting (92 per-

cent), 40-for-42 serving (95 percent), 15-for-17 in serve-receive (85 percent) and 10-for-13 blocking (77 percent).

Dave Nichols finished 11-for-11 hitting (two kills) and 5-for-7 blocking.

Jeff Danis went 10-for-12 hitting with four kills, 5-for-5 serving with one ace, 3-for-4 passing and he also had one block.

Jim Newell was a perfect 8-for-8 hitting, 8-for-8 serving with one ace, and 6-for-6 passing.

Kevin Hess went 7-for-7 hitting,

with one kill, and 6-for-6 serving.

Matt Rogers was 6-for-6 serving and 3-for-3 passing.

Also contributing were Matt Gilmore (3-for-3 hitting, one kill), Ryan Slavin (5-for-5 serving, one ace), Blake McCauley (4-for-4 serving) and Peter Maguire (4-for-5 serving).

The Andover JVs improved to 3-2 with a 2-0 victory over Central, rallying from an 11-6 second-game deficit to complete the sweep with a 16-14 overtime victory.

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John Clifford creates outstanding and unique custom jewelry. You may view one-of-a-kind pieces he has created, or make an appointment to design your own. Many rings, bracelets and earrings are exclusively created for the store. He is also skilled at repairing heirloom jewelry.

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Both the North Andover and Salem, N.H. locations include repair and custom services. Most repairs are performed in Salem while you wait;

jewelry repairs are not sent out to another location. Clifford Jewelers specializes in appraisals, which are done on the premises while you wait. Items do not have to be left in the store.

Clifford Jewelers is located in the Messina's Plaza, 109 Main St., North Andover. (978) 682-4653. The Salem store is located at 64 N. Broadway (Route 28), across from Dodge Grain, Salem, N.H. (603) 894-5755. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mr. Clifford is at the North Andover store on Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. and at the Salem store all other times.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT (SEAL) Case No. 246503

To John P. Duffy, Mercer B. Duffy and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: The Cadle Company claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in Andover, numbered as 27 Forest Hill Drive given by John P. Duffy and Mercer B. Duffy to First NH Bank, National Association dated December 1, 1989 and recorded on December 4, 1989 at the Essex County (Northern District) Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 48026, as noted on certificate of Title No. 9722 and now held by Plaintiff by assignment has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 18th day of May, 1998, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 31st day of March 1998.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.  
Recorder  
April 16, 1998

#### ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed proposals for furnishing the following will be received at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, Massachusetts 01810 until the time specified below at which time the proposals will be publicly opened and read.

#### ITEM

Bid No.  
032/4-98/601

Twelve (12) Computers for Memorial Hall Library

#### OPENING

Friday May 1, 1998  
1:00 P.M.

Specifications and forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA.

No security is required on this Proposal.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

Andover is an affirmative action/equal opportunity purchaser.

The Town reserves the right to accept, or reject, in whole or in part, any or all proposals, or take whatever other action that may be deemed necessary to be in the best interest of the Town.

Elaine M. Shola  
Purchasing Agent  
April 16, 1998

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT ESSEX DIVISION

Docket No. 98P 0732-EP1  
Estate of VINCENT ANOMANISTO late of Andover in the County of Essex.

#### NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by HAZEL M. O'BRIEN of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 11, 1998.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Pamela Casey O'Brien  
Register of Probate  
April 16, 1998

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#### ITEM

Proposal No.  
RFP010/4-98/301  
Andover Water/Wastewater Instrumentation Maintenance Agreement

#### OPENING

Thursday, April 30, 1998  
2:00 P.M.

Specifications and forms may be obtained at the Office of Central Purchasing, Andover Town Offices,

36 Bartlet Street, Andover, MA.

No security is required on this Proposal.

No proposer may withdraw his proposal for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

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Elaine M. Shola  
Purchasing Agent  
April 16, 1998

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT

Essex Division  
Docket No. 247893  
NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of PHILIP F. RIPLEY late of Andover, Essex County.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the thirty-eight to forty-first accounts inclusive, of FLEET NATIONAL BANK, formerly FLEET BANK OF MAS-

SACHUSETTS, N.A. as Trustee - (the fiduciary) under the will of said deceased for the benefit of MABEL B. RIPLEY AND OTHERS have been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account(s), you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before the eleventh day of May 1998, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account(s). If you desire to object to any item of said account(s), you must in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

Witness, EDWARD J. ROCKETT, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem this sixth day of April, 1998.

Pamela Casey O'Brien  
Register of Probate  
April 16, 1998

#### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 10 Gemini Circle  
Andover, MA 01810

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Kenneth M. Barry and Karan A. Barry to Pioneer Financial-A Cooperative Bank, said mortgage dated April 23, 1987 and recorded with Essex County Northern District Registry of Deeds at Book 2482, Page 8 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage contained and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 1:00 p.m. on May 5, 1998 upon the mortgaged premises at 10 Gemini Circle, Andover, MA, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

Those certain parcels of land with the buildings thereon, situated in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, and shown as Lots No. 32 and 32GA, on Sheet No. 4 of 4 Sheets of River Ridge Estates on Plan filed with the North Essex Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 5339, and said premises are more particularly bounded and described as follows according to said plan:

LOT 32:

EASTERLY: by the westerly line of Gemini Circle. 72.20 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY: 227.59 feet by Lot 31;

SOUTHWESTERLY: 247.58 feet by Lot 32GA;

SOUTHERLY: 5.00 feet by Lot 32GA;

SOUTHWESTERLY: again 22.12 feet by land now or formerly of Patrick H. Cadogan and Katherine Maloney;

NORTHERLY: 235.79 feet by Lot 33;

Containing 34,823 square feet according to said plan.

LOT 32GA:

Lot containing 1,827 square feet shown on the aforementioned Plan No. 5339, to which plan reference is made for a more particular description.

Together with the right in common with others entitled thereto to pass and repass over the aforesaid Gemini Circle and Launching Road, for all the purposes for which such ways are commonly used in said Andover.

Subject to a drain easement as shown on the aforementioned Plan No. 5339.

Being the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagors by deed from Patricia A. Oscarsson, dated February 14, 1983, and recorded with the Essex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 1646, Page 217.

In the event of any typographical errors in the publication

of this notice, the description in the mortgage shall control.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens, mortgages, including, but not limited to, a mortgage to Pioneer Financial, A Cooperative Bank dated April 23, 1987 recorded in the Essex North Registry of Deeds at Book 2482, Page 3, assessments if any which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND and 00/100 (\$5,000.00) in cash, certified check or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale, with the balance of the purchase price to be paid within thirty (30) days thereafter.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

BANKBOSTON, N.A.  
Present Holder of Said Mortgage  
By its Attorney-in-Fact  
JAMES A. BRETT, ESQUIRE  
101 Tremont Street  
Boston, MA 02108  
Tel. (617) 426-1166  
Dated: March 30, 1998

April 2, 9 & 16, 1998

#### NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Dennis M. Powers and Jeanette M. Powers to Lion Funding Corp., dated May 29, 1986 and recorded with the Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 2209, Page 137 of which mortgage FT Mortgage Companies d/b/a FTB Mortgage Services, as successor by merger to Sunbelt National Mortgage Corporation is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 a.m. on May 6, 1998, on the mortgaged premises located at 3 Alderbrook Road, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:

The land with the buildings thereon situated in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, and being shown as Lot 23 on a Plan of Alderbrook Estates, Andover, Mass., Sec. I, which plan is recorded with North District of Essex Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 1699 and bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by Alderbrook Road eighty eight feet;  
WESTERLY by Lot 24 on said Plan one hundred fifty eight and 04/100 feet;  
NORTHERLY by land now or formerly of Holt, eighty nine and 12/100 feet;  
EASTERLY by land now or formerly of Foss one hundred forty six and 11/100 feet,

Containing 13,360 square feet of land as shown on said Plan.

For mortgagors' title see deed recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 1776, Page 284.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

#### TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02158, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02161-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

FT MORTGAGE COMPANIES D/B/A FTB MORTGAGE SERVICES, AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO SUNBELT NATIONAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION  
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,  
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.  
Victoria S. Cook, Esquire  
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April 9, 16 & 23 1998

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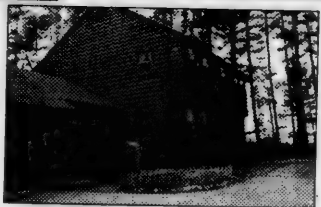
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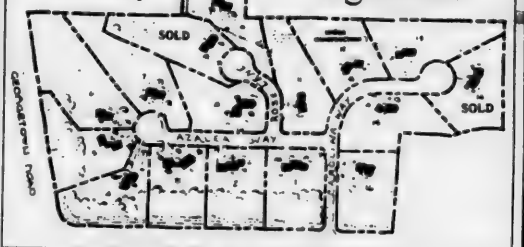
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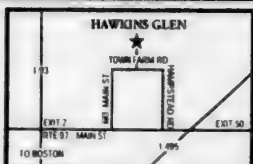
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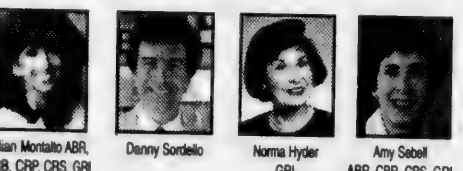
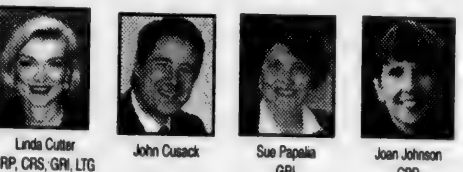
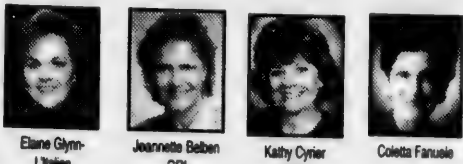
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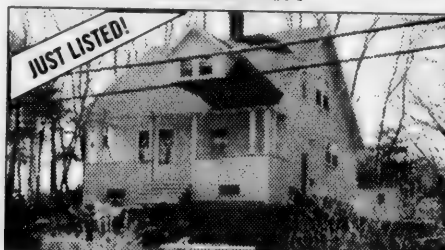
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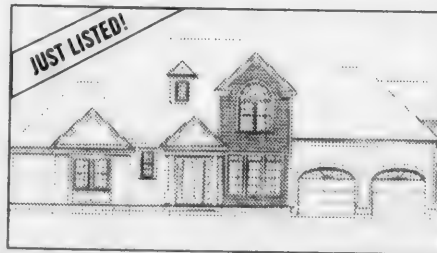
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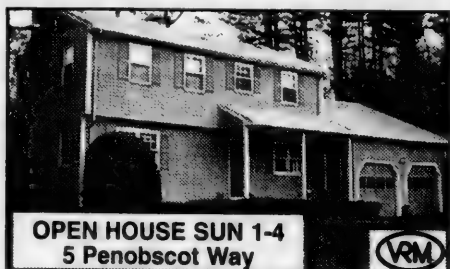
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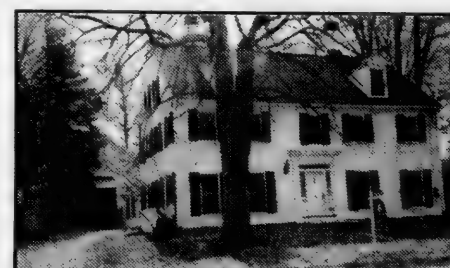
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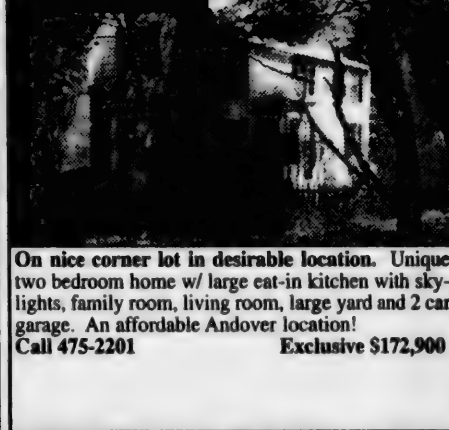
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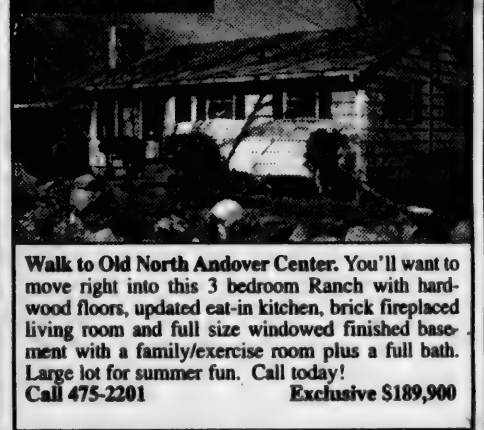
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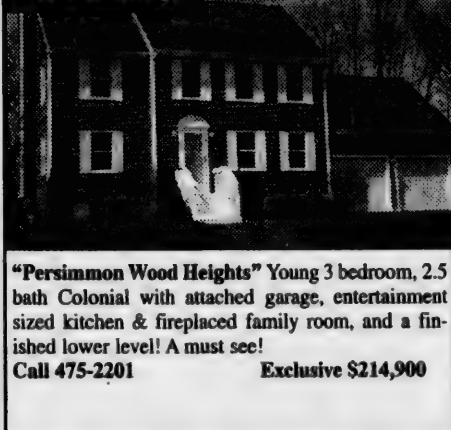
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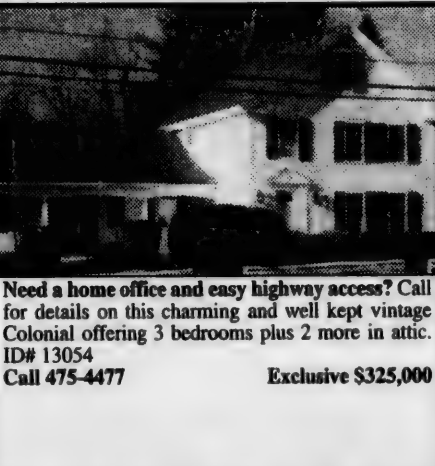
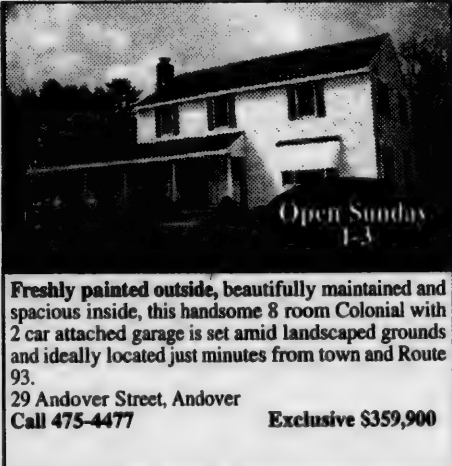
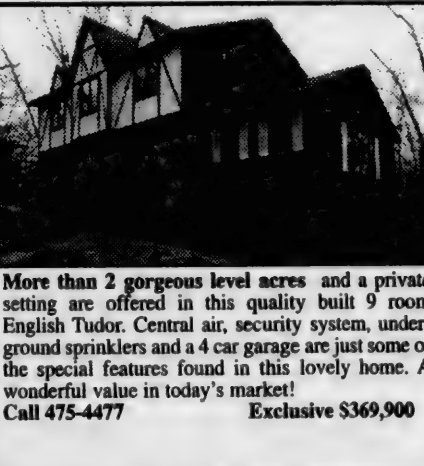
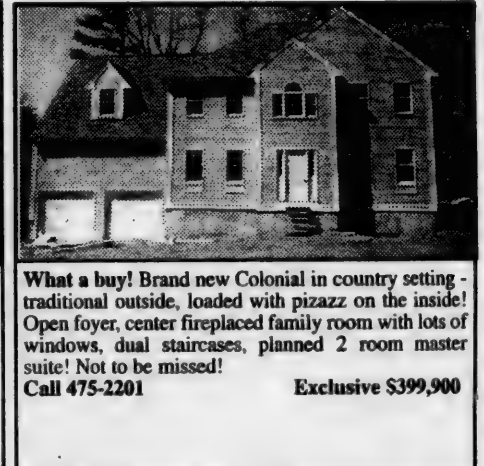
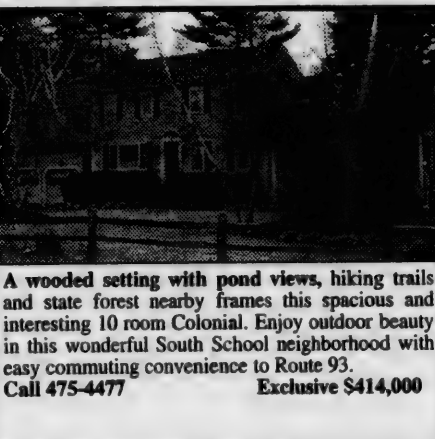
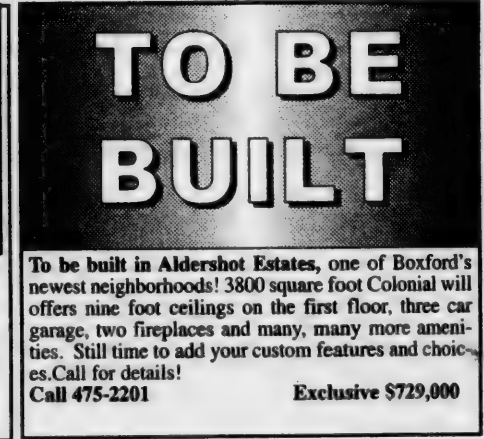
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## DECORATING & REMODELING

### One-color-fits-all practice gives way to more exciting paint jobs

By Barbara Mayer  
For AP Special Edition

For much of this century, quirky exterior features on houses from another era were something to conceal under a coat of white paint. But now these houses with strong character detail have lots of takers. As a result, the one-color-fits-all practice is giving way to more exciting paint jobs.

Thomas Burzesi and Linda Navarra of Niverville, N.Y., typify the new attitudes about exterior painting. Using a period picture postcard turned up by their town historian as a model, they restored their 1888 Eastlake Victorian to its original glory — gingerbread and all. When they bought the house in 1991, white paint disguised whatever interesting details had not been removed or hidden under aluminum siding.

Burzesi designed a six-color paint scheme for the house itself — three shades of green, two shades of red, and straw for the gables. For good measure, he painted the porch floor gray and the porch ceiling sky blue.

Indicative of the appeal of colorful exteriors, the Burzesis' new paint job has earned them first prize in a contest co-sponsored by *Home Magazine* and Benjamin Moore paints.

This isn't the only contest that has netted colorful winners. The Paint Quality Institute recently selected 12 neighborhoods — two winners from each of six geographic regions — as the Prettiest Painted Places in America.

"The purpose of the contest was not only to identify the prettiest places, but also to raise awareness of the benefits of an attractive exterior paint job," says John Stauffer, director of the

Rohm & Haas Paint Quality Institute in Philadelphia. (Rohm & Haas manufactures paint ingredients.)

When a number of houses in a neighborhood sport a new coat of paint, pride in community goes up and often business and tourism increase as well, he says. And a new paint job often is a colorful one.

"We saw very modest buildings that looked fantastic because of the selection of multiple colors," says Stauffer, who was part of a team of judges that crisscrossed the country to select the award winners. Even houses that originally would have been painted in one color were often given contrasting colors on moldings or downspouts, shutters or storm doors.

Stauffer says that the greatest use of multiple colors seems to be in California and Washington State, but

there are pockets of color all over the country in towns like Tubac Ariz., Cape May, N.J., and Oak Park just west of Chicago.

While multi-color paint jobs are more interesting than plain old white, they are also far more time-consuming to execute.

All told, it took about Burzesi about 14 months to plan and paint his house in Niverville. "The painting alone took me and three friends four or five months," he says.

Burzesi was pleased to win first prize — a week at a spa in Arizona for himself and his wife — in the contest. But he entered hoping for the proffered fourth prize: paint.

"I figure if there is one thing that I will always need more of, it's paint."

### Tips for selecting color schemes for house exteriors

Associated Press

"You can pick out architectural details by changing colors," says Ken Charbonneau, color consultant at Benjamin Moore & Co. "A likely scheme today is two shades of taupe or some other shade for the siding, with several contrasting colors for trim,

shutters and front door."

Here are some tips from Charbonneau on selecting color schemes for house exteriors:

- To make a house stand out from its background, select a color that contrasts strongly with the surroundings. To have it blend into the setting,

choose a related color. Green fades into the background in a neighborhood with lots of trees and grass. White or yellow pops out. At the beach, white and yellow blend in while green jumps out.

- Take roof color into account and work it into the scheme by repeating it

twice — once in a matching tone and once in a slightly lighter or darker shade. An example: if the roof is dark green, consider using green for shutters, door and architectural trim.


- Test a color scheme's viability before committing to it. The simplest

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## Kitchen trends

There are some serious cooks out there, and their kitchen designs reflect it, according to the trends evident in the National Kitchen & Bath Association's 1998 Design Competition.

Many kitchen plans are incorporating more than one cooking and cleanup center, "with serious work zones at the inner core of the room," says Karen Edwards, a Certified Kitchen Designer (CKD) and Certified Bathroom Designer (CBD) from Watkins Glen, N.Y. "Consumers want everything at their fingertips."

Multiple islands, varying counter heights and numerous countertop materials also are being included in designs to make the kitchen more fashionable and functional.

For instance, unique materials such as concrete and stainless steel are on the rise as countertop materials "mainly because of their natural and sophisticated look," says Shirley McFarlane, CKD.

The use of granite as a kitchen countertop material also is increasing, most notably in the Northeast and Southeast, according to a recent study by NKBA. In fact, about 30 percent of kitchens designed by CKDs and CBDs in 1996 had granite included in the plan, up from 23 percent in 1995.

"Consumers simply love the look of granite as an accent to their countertop," says Joan DesCombes, CKD. "They like the idea that granite is a natural product, is cool to the touch, and adds a sense of elegance to the kitchen. It's very durable and easy to maintain - just what many are looking for when they want their kitchen to last," she adds.

Other hot decor items are elegant crown and dentil moldings.

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## Color schemes ...

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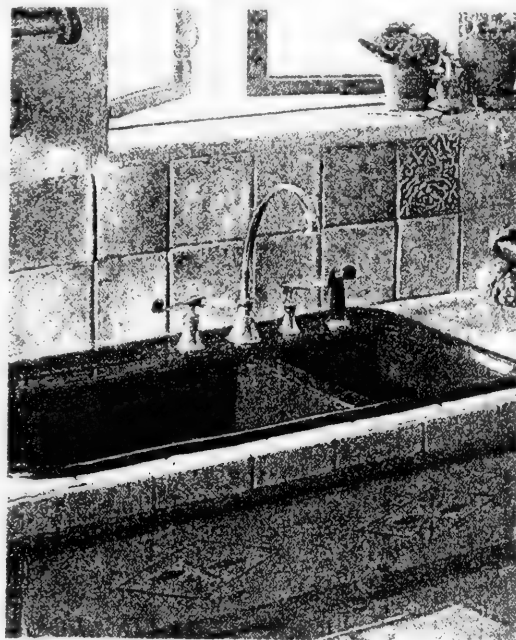
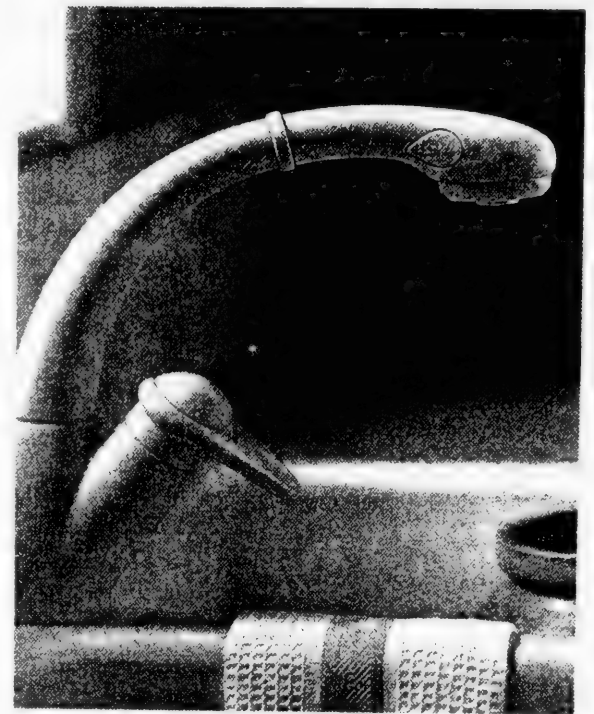
way to do this is with color chips. Make sure each chip looks good against all of the others. Approximate the real color scheme with chips in various sizes. The largest chip represents the siding and the smaller chips stand in for trim, shutters and door.

If still in doubt, purchase small quantities of proposed colors and paint them on the house so you can study them together.

• When there are neighboring buildings, find a color scheme that does not clash with them.

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# Kitchen trends: A combination of sophisticated and functional

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"Designers are doing more detail work in kitchens these days - fluted columns, ceiling treatments, architectural carvings and textured surfaces," notes Rory McLean, CKD, CBD. "Consumers want focal points other than their cabinetry."

This includes the growing popularity of stainless, pro-series equipment (such as commercial-style cooking and refrigeration units) as focal points.

"The equipment is sleek and sophisticated looking," notes Delores Hyden, CKD, CBD. "It either makes a statement or disappears."

And that's not all. More recently, consumers have taken a liking to the "period furniture" look - islands, cabinetry and other details that bring an "unfitted" look to traditional kitchen design.

"It's not just stacked cabinetry any more," Edwards notes. "Spaces are being dedicated to warm, antique appearances, combining fitted and unfitted cabinetry - prevalent of Old World style. But more important, furniture gives the kitchen a fantastic 'homey' look."

This style also is being created by mantel-styled cooking centers - ones with a fireplace look that incorporate fluted columns, moldings and gothic decor - and hoods that produce a hearth atmosphere.

"Quite inviting and appealing to guests and family members," McLean stresses.

But not all designs are Old World classics. Contemporary plans still exist, but have a "soft contemporary" look, with warm woods and colors.

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Joan DesCombes, CKD

Designers also note that cabinet finishes in more bold and saturated colors are a growing trend. Although white remains the predominant choice of color for kitchen cabinets, colors such red, blue and green are being paired with it.

"All-white kitchens could be on the way out," McFarlane says.

The kitchen will continue to be a more elaborate living space in the years to come, McLean notes, since "this is the space where most of your time is spent, and it should look and make you feel good. And after years of 'lean and mean' company cutbacks, we seem to be treating ourselves once again."

At right, grand moldings above the cabinets and a mantel-styled cooking area are eye-catching features in a stylish kitchen.

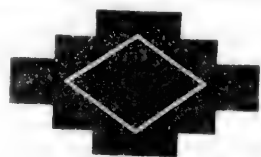


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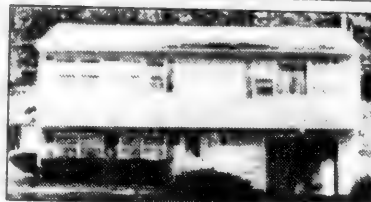
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# Variations on color themes

By Barbara Mayer  
For AP Special Edition

Vibrant wall colors create a livelier and more cheerful atmosphere. But they also pose a decorating question, especially in modern, open-plan homes:

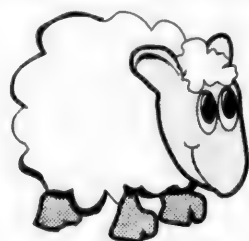
How do you switch from one color to another when there are no strong divisions from walls and doors?

Introducing a second wall color in an open room takes finesse but can be done simply and at low cost, says Leslie Harrington.

Harrington, corporate interior designer at Benjamin Moore & Co., experimented with a variety of graphic patterns such as stripes, squares and freeform curves to create a series of interesting two-color walls.

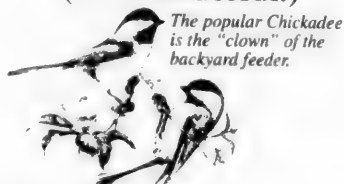
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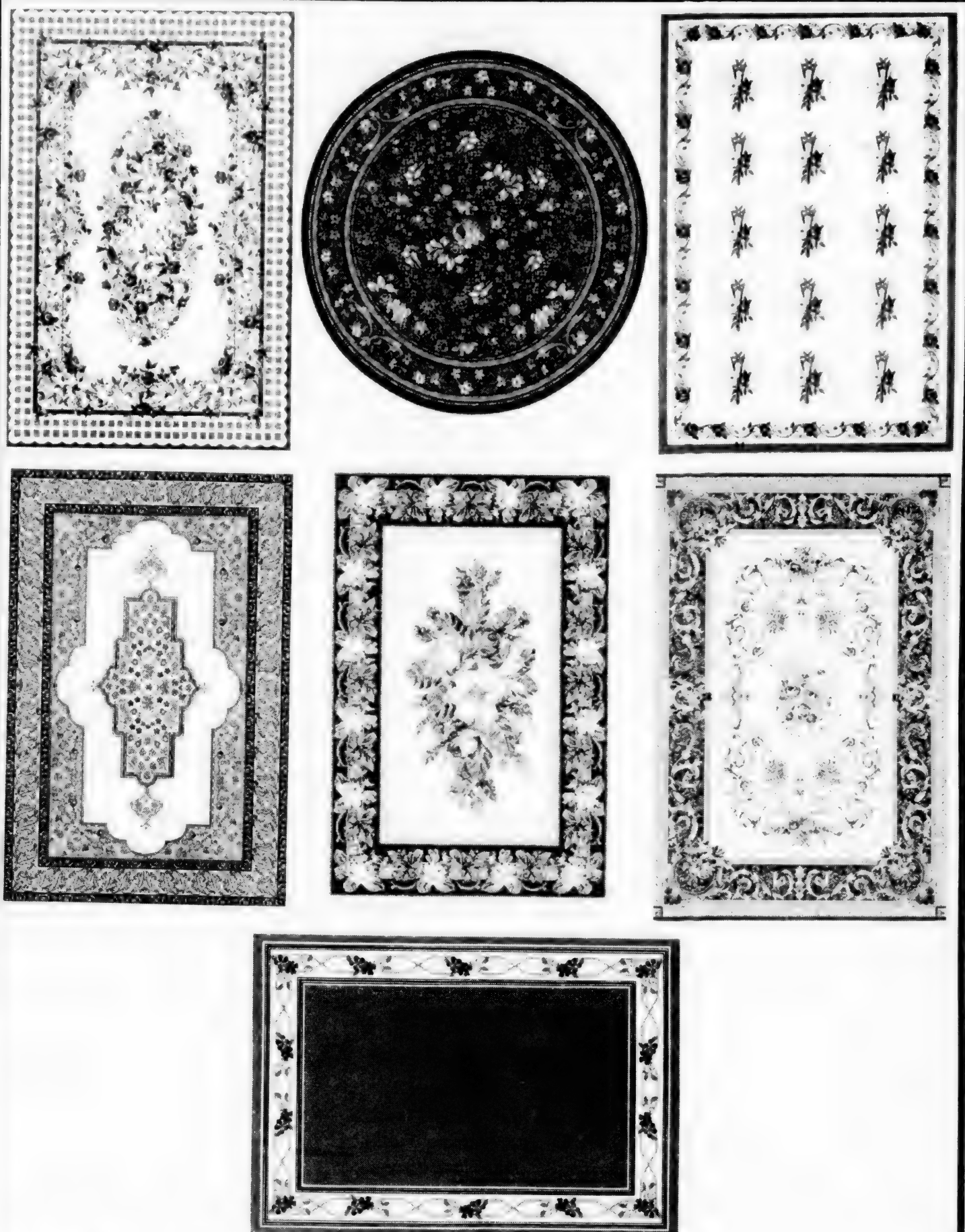
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# Soon more money will be spent on remodeling than new construction

By Barbara Mayer  
For AP Special Edition

Move to a new house with all the bells and whistles, or stay put and add them yourself? The question is almost academic, with complex remodeling projects increasing.

"A major renovation is just as complicated as building a new house," says Gale Steves, editor of *Home* magazine. "These days, many people are more concerned with neighborhood." If they like it, they will stay and add on.

"In the year 2000 for first time in our history, more money will be spent on remodeling than on new construction," says Karol DeWulf Nickell, editor of *Traditional Home* magazine.

Kitchens still are the favorite remodeling project with readers of *Traditional Home*. But they want much more than new appliances and cabinets.

"Readers want to be able to cook, dine and entertain in the same room," says Nickell. They also want the room to accommodate the kids doing homework and a place for mom to make up the week's food shopping list.

Nickell finds that readers are more interested in enhancing their particular home's architecture and period by selecting materials that are in keeping with it. If the house dates from the 1960s, for example, they may reject granite kitchen counters in favor of the stainless steel or laminates that might really have been used. If they have a

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bungalow, they may emphasize its arts and crafts appeal with natural wood and handcrafted tiles.

Contributing to a more sensitive use of materials is a huge selection of materials in home remodeling centers.

Remodeling trends around the country that Steves has picked up on include revising formal dining rooms and living rooms so they get used more often.

Revamping the first floor allows the addition of spaces that people want, such as a separate home office, a dedicated spot for kids to do homework, space for messy hobbies and crafts, and a room and bath on the first floor to accommodate aging occupants — parents now and themselves later on.

Homeowners also are remodeling exteriors to create more garden space and to deemphasize the garage by moving it around to the side or back of the house or by changing the driveway configuration.

People in tract neighborhoods also are personalizing their houses by

adding a porch, shutters, or a distinctive exterior paint job.

If houses were built more flexibly, people would not have to initiate expensive major remodeling projects. Flexibility is on the minds of magazine editors who have cosponsored recent demonstration houses.

In *Traditional Home's* model built in the Dallas suburb of Southlake, Texas, the dining room can be separated from the living room by French doors. The space has extra insulation to keep it sound-proof and adequate wiring for electronic equipment, should it be used as a home office or a media room. There is also a master suite on the first floor that easily can be converted to accommodate a long-term visitor, such as a grandparent or nanny.

*Home* magazine joined *Builder* magazine, a building trade publication, to create a "house of the future" in the Dallas suburb of Coppell, Texas.

Flexibility features include a small main-floor bedroom and bath suitable

for a semipermanent guest. Opposite this suite is a combination laundry room-hobby room-mud room. Tall cabinets on casters can be moved to make the living room larger or smaller. There is also space for two separate home offices. The two kids' bedrooms are small, but a study hall in a niche on the second floor is outfitted with two computers and one printer for them to share.

A showcase house in Naperville, Ill., co-sponsored by *American Home Style & Gardening* magazine and Masco Corp., includes two flexible rooms, one on the first floor and one on the second. The first-floor room located near the entrance from the garage combines a laundry room and hobby room but could be readily converted to use as a home office or guest bedroom. The second-floor swing room can be a bedroom, den or nursery.

In convening focus groups of women to discuss features they want in a new house, Nickell was surprised by the women's down-to-earth priorities. One popular demand was for additional storage space in the garage; another was for a three-season porch.

"I expected a few more requests for glamour spots, such as a potting shed or a film-developing room from the sophisticated and affluent women we interviewed," Nickell says. "Instead, the general attitude was that if the family is happy, they are happy."

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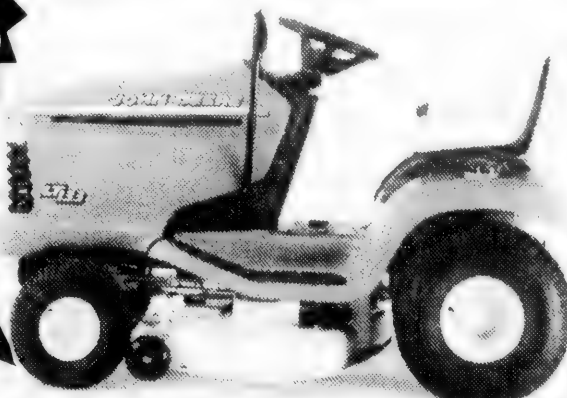


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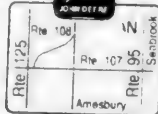
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## Variations on color themes

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duce a new color scheme into a large room.

Harrington selected yellow and purple for her experiments. These colors, known as complementary colors, are opposite each other on the color wheel. She says that the technique works just as well with colors that are close to one another such as blue and green or peach and pale yellow. Strongly contrasting colors such as black and white also can be used.

"The more contrast there is between the two colors, the more the wall stands out," Harrington says. "Choosing colors that are similar in value will make the wall less pronounced."

The major color on one section of the wall should become an accent color in the other area. It can be picked up in upholstery, window treatments, floor covering or art work. "This has the effect of moving color around the entire room," says Harrington, "and also creates a satisfying feeling that the room is in balance."

While a wall can change color virtually anywhere in a room using Harrington's suggested color blocking techniques, she urges that a logical spot be chosen for the break, such as the beginning of dining L or the kitchen section in a kitchen-family room, or the media center or home office portion of a great room. By also changing something else in the room, such as the floor covering, the color switch will be even more successful.

"I would make sure that an item of furniture such as a sofa or a sideboard would be placed to one side of the color change rather than in the center of it," Harrington adds.

In most rooms, just one change of color is indicated, but if the space is large, as in a loft, three or more wall colors can be used.

"I successfully decorated a child's room with this technique, using a total of five colors," Harrington says. "But the whole time I was installing the room, I was asking myself: 'Is this going to work?'"

A variant on the color-changing theme is to alter the sheen level of the paint.

"When the kitchen flows into family room, for example, a satin or semi-gloss finish might be applied in the kitchen and a matte or eggshell finish in the other part of the room," Harrington suggests.

A multi-color effect to try in rooms of any size is to paint each of four walls a different hue of the same color. This is particularly effective when pastels are selected, such as tints of pink or pale blue or pale green. The captivating result will be to make it appear that the subtle color changes are due to light variations, says the designer.

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## IN THE GARDEN



Power flowers! Andover Garden Club member Frances Y.J. Wheeler's flower album shows what grows in her garden Hillcrest Road in the Ballardvale section of town. Photos by Frances Y.J. Wheeler

### *A warm winter means early bloomers in our gardens but ...* **Andover Garden Club reminds us to be organized when we visit the nursery**

By Judy Wakefield

**I**t's that time of year when a visit to a local nursery puts a smile on your face and a dent in your checkbook. All you yard buffs are eager to get going with landscaping and garden plans.

But two weeks later you wonder why that "must have" plant was, well, a "must have" plant. It really doesn't fit in with what's growing in your yard. Even worse, you may have scooped up a pretty plant that needs lots of sun and your yard spends most of the day in the shade. Or vice versa.

It is easy to fall into that random-collection-of-plants-garden trap. But, it is also easy to avoid, according to some local garden buffs.

At last month's Andover Garden Club meeting, members reminded one another about the golden rules of good gardening. After all, at this time of year it is easy to be taken in by plants with pretty colors. But you really have to think before you buy. That's the first rule - good gardens need planning. Secondly, you have to be organized when it comes to plant shopping.

"The warm winter was fabulous news...and the early bloomers get us in the mood to buy plants," said garden club member Virginia Lopez Begg, who is a landscape designer and garden writer. "You may see something gorgeous at the nursery, but you really have to think before you buy."

Ms. Lopez Begg suggests going to the nursery with a shopping list. After



Hollyhock mallow is another favorite in a Hillcrest Road garden.

all, a lovely garden will never result from a random collection of plants that catch your eye at the nursery, she said. Once you have an overall plan of what you are looking for and a shopping list of what's needed to fulfill that plan, then head out to the nursery.

She suggested this 10-point list of guidelines to keep in mind when buying perennials, annuals, house plants, trees and shrubs. These guidelines can help novice gardeners get going and can serve as a quick reminder to those who are more experienced:

**Know your garden conditions:**

Sun or shade; wet or dry; preferred season of display ... these are some of the questions you need to answer before you get to the nursery. Buy appropriately and remember there is a plant for every place and time.

**Foliage** should be healthy and robust. Avoid yellowing or drooping specimens.

**Examine carefully** for pests. Don't be afraid to pick up plants and shake them. Pests will fly out of the plant and you should put that plant back.

**Look for weeds** growing in the

crown of the plant. They are often impossible to remove and you will introduce a problem into your garden.

**Look for new stems** emerging at the crown of the plant. This indicates a vigorous specimen.

**Hold the plant** at eye level and look through it. Both assets and problems are frequently visible from this worm's eye view.

**If color is important**, such as with peonies, iris or daylilies, buy only when the plants are in bloom. One man's pink is another man's salmon. Color is a crucial component of a fine garden.

**Resist the siren call** of a plant in bloom. If everything else looks good, than go ahead and buy. But vigorous growth and foliage are ultimately more important than a stray flower. Also, those flowers may also indicate a plant's last desperate attempt to reproduce before death, so don't be tempted.

**Don't hesitate** to remove a plant from its container to examine the root system. Was a plant thrust bare root into some peat moss? Is a plant so pot-bound it will struggle to survive? You have a right to know.

**Know the nursery.** A good nursery should guarantee that a plant is true to name and is healthy. They should refund or replace within a reasonable period of time as long as you have taken good care of your plant - especially watering.

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## Be organized when visiting the nursery

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Lots of other tips on what plants grow best in Andover gardens were offered at the club's meeting which attracted nearly 40 people who can't wait to get digging this spring.

Claire Syiek of Andover talked about her hosta fascination. Hostas are typically planted in long rows but that landscape style is not necessary. She has some 40 species growing in clumps around her yard, including some in shady spots.

"To see the light-colored hostas beaming up in a shade garden is wonderful," said Mrs. Syiek, who noted that Disney World has one of the best hosta displays.

Retired South School teacher Christine Maynard of Andover got lots of oohs and ahhs when she presented offshoot number four from a Schone Helena geranium that she rescued from death's door.

"It had four tiny leaves and a stump and was going to be thrown out," she said of the original plant.

The geranium's light salmon color and robust green leaves would liven up any room in the house during the cold season and will work wonders in a summer window box.

"I sink the (geranium) pots in the window boxes (instead of taking them out of the pots). It will leaf and blossom much better," said Mrs. Maynard



Photo by Judy Wakefield  
Christine Maynard, of Andover, with a schone helena geranium.

who taught for 32 years. She still visits nine classrooms at South School and helps students take care of their plants.

Carol Prentiss also had some tips on geraniums. She uses geranium leaves in cooking. Her Rose Geranium Cake was served at the meeting and everyone gave it a thumbs up. It was absolutely delicious. The secret is to wrap two sticks of butter with geranium leaves and let the butter chill overnight. Here is the recipe:

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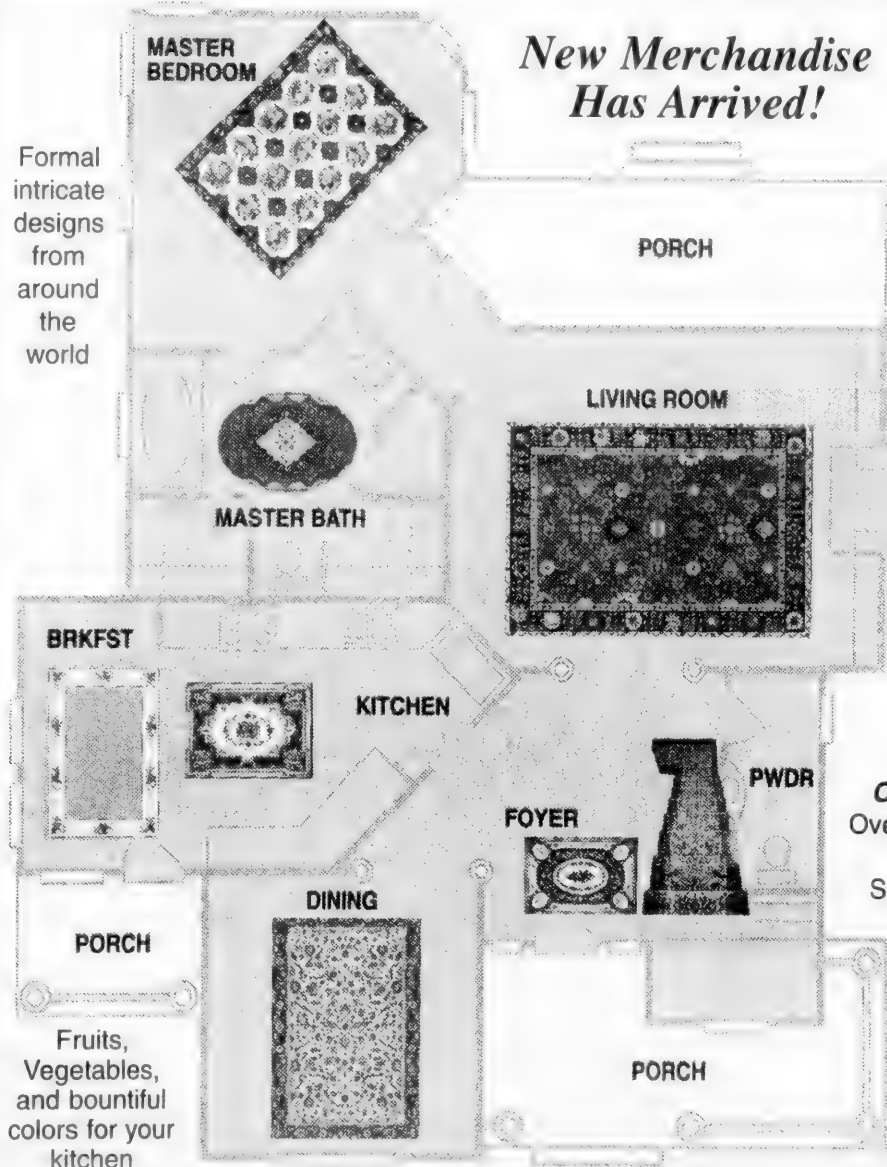
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## Rose Geranium Cake ...



Carol Prentiss cuts a slice of Rose Geranium Cake.

The butter for this cake must rest, wrapped in geranium leaves overnight

- 12 rose geranium leaves
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter
- 1 3/4 cups granulated sugar
- 6 egg whites
- 3 cups sifted cake flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1/2 cup water

### Rose frosting

- 2/3 cup unsalted butter
- 1 egg yolk (2-3 tablespoons heavy cream)
- 2 cups confectioners sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 6 rose geranium leaves

Rinse and dry the geranium leaves. Wrap 6 leaves around each stick of butter. Cover with foil or plastic wrap and chill overnight.

The next day, unwrap the butter and remove the leaves. Place the butter in a mixing bowl; rinse the leaves and set aside.

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9-inch round cake pans.

Add the sugar to the butter and cream until light. Add the egg whites, two at a time, beating well after each addition. Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt together. In a separate bowl, mix the milk and water. Alternately add the flour and milk mixtures to the butter mixture, beginning and ending with the flour. Beat until smooth after each addition.

Arrange six of the geranium leaves on the bottom of each cake pan. Spoon the batter over leaves. Bake until the cake springs back when touched in the center and has begun to pull away from the sides of the pan, about 30 to 35 minutes. Cool in the pan for 10 minutes, then turn out onto wire racks to finish cooling. Gently remove the leaves from the bottoms of the cake and discard.

Meanwhile, prepare the frosting. In a bowl, cream the butter well. Beat in the egg yolk, then gradually add the sugar, beating constantly. Stir in the vanilla. Chop the geranium leaves very fine by hand or in a food processor and stir into the frosting.

When the cake layers have cooled completely, fill and frost.  
Makes one 9-inch, two-layer cake

## Gardening: Beginner's basics

By Ed Hutchison  
for AP Special Edition

Here's a comforting thought for the beginning gardener: Plants are on your side; you are a friend who helps fulfill their mission to grow and reproduce.

So there's little to fear and ample reason to believe you'll succeed. Pollsters tell us gardening is Americans favorite pastime, and if you feel left out but now want to hop on board, here are some pointers that will help you make and grow a first garden:

- **Sun.** The majority of flowers and vegetables need at least six hours of sun. This suggests a spot in your yard that faces south or west. As you shop, keep in mind two basic terms — annual and perennial. An annual comes up, grows, and dies the same year. A perennial comes up every year. Most annuals and perennials are sun lovers, although there are colorful exceptions that like shade. Virtually all vegetables and many herbs are annuals.

- **Size.** Start small. A garden the size of a twin bed is big enough to grow three tomatoes, six peppers, several rows of lettuce, radishes and carrots and 24 flowering plants like petunias, marigolds and zinnias. That's enough salad and flowers for a family of six.

- **Soil.** It varies all over the country, and fortunately, "bad" soil can be made "good." If a fistful makes a hard ball, it has too much clay. If a fistful makes no ball, it has too much sand. Either condition can be improved by adding compost, leaves, grass clippings or sphagnum peat moss. These materials improve the soil structure so air and water can move about freely in the root zone.

- **Grass.** If the ideal spot now grows grass and you want a garden instead, you'll need to get rid of the grass first. When it starts growing in the spring, spray it with a herbicide such as Finale or Round-Up. Either will kill the grass within a few weeks (and anything else green it touches) but will not harm to the soil. As with any garden chemical, heed label instructions.

- **Tilling.** You'll want to work up the ground the first year, especially if there is too much clay or sand and you're adding sphagnum peat moss or another amendment. Compared to other amendments, sphagnum peat moss is ideal because it adds helpful structure to the soil, doesn't break down too quickly and is easy to work in.

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the soil. The bigger machines can pulverize and turn over dead grass as well as work amendments into the top 12 inches of soil. That's the target to shoot for: Good soil to a depth of 12 inches. You can rent a tiller or, for the same amount of money, you can probably find someone who'll till it for you. Wait until heavy spring moisture is out of the soil before working it by machine or hand, as working wet or frozen soil can make it lumpy for years.

- **Watering.** The best way to water a garden is with a hose that oozes water; this is a modern version of the old canvas soaker. The new types are made from recycled tires. They ooze water slowly from tiny holes along the length of the hose. Snake the hose so it is near the plants and run it for 30 minutes two days a week. If it rains, you can skip a watering. The soil should be slightly moist several inches below the surface at all times. Overhead water from a sprinkler wastes water and can spread disease.

- **Feeding.** Annual flowers and vegetables should be fed about every six weeks beginning about July 1. Some can be overfed, and the result is that they grow leaves at the expense of flowers. Not having a tomato flower means no tomatoes. An easy way to feed is by spraying the leaves and surrounding area with liquid fertilizer applied with a hose-end sprayer. If you don't have one, mix up the food in a pail and pour it slowly around the plants. Don't use a sprayer or pail that had been used to apply weed killer; there may be enough residue to damage the plants.

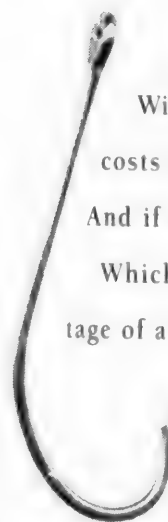
- **Weeds.** Save weed-pulling time by applying a weed killer that stops weeds just as they sprout. Preen is one popular brand of what's known as a preemergent herbicide. These are usually sold as granules that are sprinkled on the ground and lightly raked into top inch of the soil. They stop most weeds from sprouting most of the season.

- **Mulch.** A 3-inch layer of mulch keeps weeds down, conserves water and keeps the soil at a helpful temperature. Most organic mulches decompose in two or three years and need to be replenished. Grass clippings make a so-so mulch. They clump as they dry, making it hard for water to get to the soil. Leftover weed killer on the grass could kill garden plants. Pine straw, shredded bark, wood chips and cocoa bean hulls are a few of the organic mulches available.

- **Enjoy.** Visit your new garden every other day. As the season progresses, you'll be amazed at how quickly changes occur.



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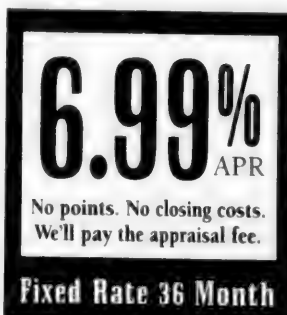
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## Gardener's guide: Potted plants need special soil

By Lee Rich

For AP Special Features

**P**otted plants — including garden transplants and houseplants — grow poorly in garden soil, even good garden soil, if used alone. What these plants need is potting soil, whose basic ingredients might include some garden soil along with mineral aggregate and organic matter. Once you are familiar with the basic ingredients of potting soils, you may want to make your own.

Mineral aggregates keep potting soils well aerated, and also ensure that water flows readily into the mix, through it, and out the bottom of the container. Mineral aggregates include vermiculite, a type of mica, and perlite, a volcanic rock that has been

"popped" at high temperatures. Both are lightweight materials available at garden centers.

Use sand as mineral aggregate when you need a potting soil with more weight — for example, to keep a top-heavy jade plant from toppling. Potting mixes made with sand are also good for cacti and other succulents because they stay drier than those made with perlite or vermiculite. Use sand with large size particles, sold as "quartz builders" sand.

Organic matter in potting soils holds water in reserve for plants. Good choices here include peat moss and sphagnum moss, both available in stores. Compost and leaf mold are two organic materials you can brew yourself.

Potting soils have been developed that are made with any real garden soil. These mixes are sold commercially, but you can make one yourself by sieving together equal volumes of peat moss and perlite. Since the mix has no garden soil or compost to supply nutrients, add one-half cup of dolomitic limestone, 1 tablespoon of 28 percent superphosphate (or 2 tablespoons of bone meal), and one-half cup of 5-10-5 fertilizer to each bushel of final mix.

Even if you buy potting soil, keep some type of mineral aggregate and organic material on hand. If the mix seems too dense, or if it is for a succulent plant, add extra aggregate. Begonias and African violets, on the other hand, like constantly moist soil, so add extra peat moss or other organic matter to their potting soils.

Traditional potting mixes contain real garden soil. Make up this mix by combining equal parts garden soil, peat moss, perlite, and compost. Supplement the nutrients in the garden soil and compost by adding, for each 8 gallons of potting soil, a cup of lime and a half-cup each of bone meal and cottonseed meal. Mix thoroughly, then rub the mix through a one-half-inch sieve.

If you include compost or garden soil in your potting mix, you may have to pasteurize it to eliminate pests. Fill a baking pan with potting soil, bury a potato in it, and bake in a medium hot oven. When the potato is baked, the soil is ready. Pasteurization is not necessary if you use healthy garden soil, and compost that has decomposed sufficiently to eliminate pests.

## Mowers and kids are not a good combination

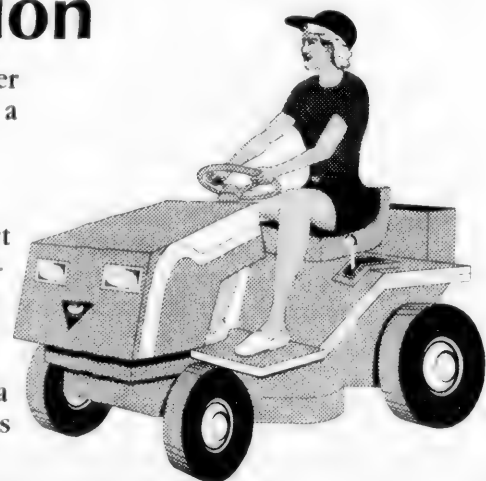
ATLANTA (AP) — Keep the children indoors when you run your power mower, urges Maryann Johnston, emergency center nurse at Egleston Children's Hospital at Emory University.

Mower-related injuries to children accounted for more than 7,500 trips to the emergency room in 1995, she says, and every year, 75 people die in riding lawn mower and tractor accidents — with one out of every five deaths involving a young child.

Her tips for safe operation include never allowing a child to ride on a riding mower, even with an adult. Keep children indoors while using mowers, power weed trimmers, edgers and garden tractors, she says. Frequently review your mower's manual for all safety instructions before operating it, and make sure that all safety devices are in place. Mow only during optimum conditions, during daylight hours and when the grass is not wet. Refrain from wearing headphones while oper-

ating the mower so you have a greater chance of hearing a warning that a child is approaching you.

Johnston points out that the impact of the blade on a power mower delivers a force three times greater than a .357 magnum handgun. "It is sometimes difficult for people to comprehend that something so routine as a lawn mower has such tremendous wounding capacity," she says.



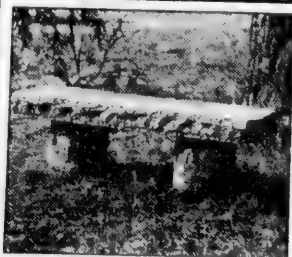
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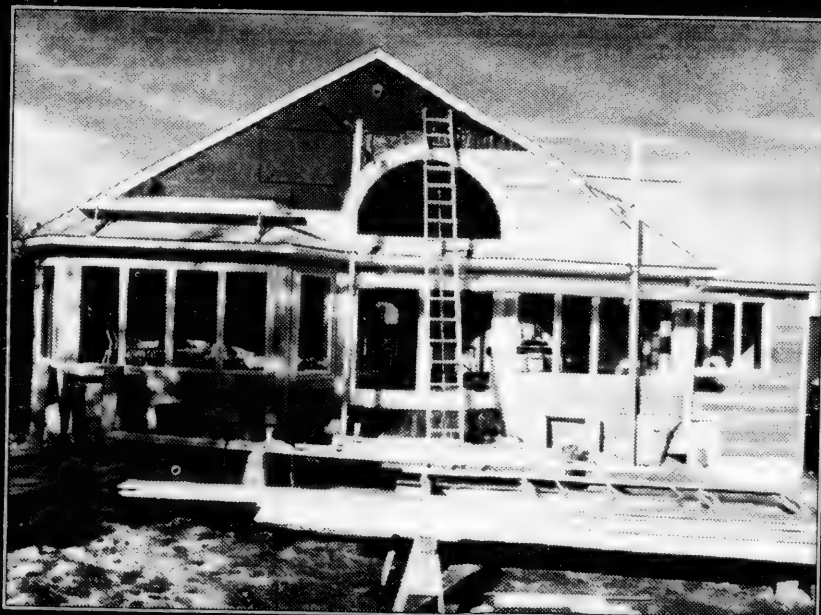
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# Laschi Bros. Garden Center: Wholesale to homeowners

**M**arty and Jim of Laschi Bros. Garden Center of Methuen admit it's more comfortable to stay the same but say it's time to move into the millennium with a new plan.

Established in 1991, the garden center has grown and been successful through long hours, hard work and dedicated employees, say the brothers. Now they feel poised to take on the future and expand following their own analysis of where the business needs to grow.

The first major change will be offering a vastly enlarged "hard goods" product line at "wholesale to homeowner" prices. Each season they plan to include more accessories, statuary, pottery, ornaments and soil enhancers. Chain stores sell "hard goods" like these at discount prices, but fail when it comes to the knowledgeable service that most people need. If price is the only concern, the chain stores should get the sale, but Laschi Bros. feels they can provide "commodity" items that are plentiful everywhere at a low

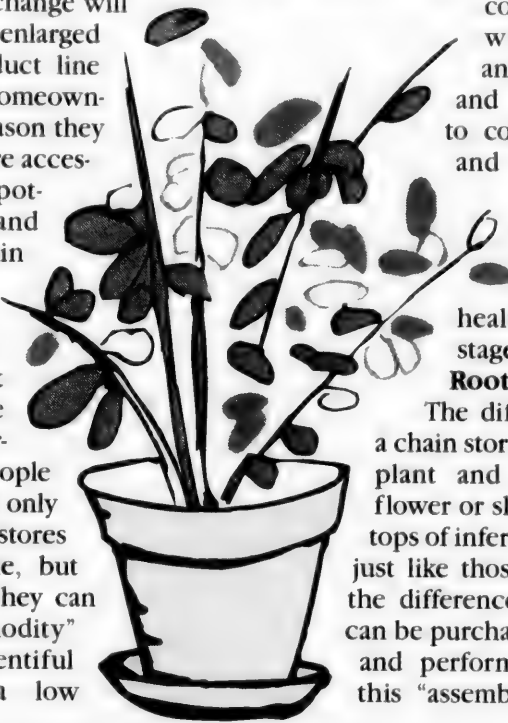
wholesale price with service that will appeal to today's gardeners.

Weather and the inconsistencies of New England in particular are a challenge to the homeowner. The weather can frustrate even the most dedicated gardener and add additional time and expense. Laschi Bros. seeks to decrease the variables by offering well-established plants that can be planted with confidence to grow and thrive. The approach is to have their customers stop early for garden and lawn preparation, then plan and wait. Later,

come in and select well-established annuals, perennials and hanging baskets to complete a garden and landscape that has been cared for by them to get it to a strong and healthy planting stage.

## Roots

The difference between a chain store or assembly-line plant and a Laschi Bros. flower or shrub is roots. The tops of inferior plants can look just like those at Laschi's but the difference is roots. Plants can be purchased looking great and perform poorly due to this "assembly-line" growing.



*Handling of trees and shrubs is crucial to their health. Root systems are intricate and fragile, as is new growth. Careful handling for transport home is vital to ensuring a healthful transition from garden center to home. Trees and shrubs add color and life to the home - they should enjoy a long and healthy life.*

These growers know how to "cheat" by "top growing" plants that look great when they arrive but have not root system. This leaves them prone to stress, disease, drought, insects. Laschi Bros. grows the hard way - from the bottom up, a quality plant is produced with a strong root system that will thrive with minimal care. Roots - what you see is not always what you get.

## Kid gloves

Handling of trees and shrubs is crucial to their health. Root systems are intricate and fragile, as is new growth. Proper and even watering is essential. Laschi Bros.' emphasis is on individual care of their material, not mass neglect of warehouse stores. Careful handling for transport home is vital to ensuring

a healthful transition from garden center to home. Trees and shrubs add color and life to the home - they should enjoy a long and healthy life.

The goal of Laschi Bros. is to offer everything the homeowner gardener needs to create and maintain a healthy garden and landscape. They plan to continue to expand their perennial, annual, shrub and tree lines in addition to offering all the "support" materials at wholesale costs. The staff at Laschi Bros. shares the vision of the complete garden center and have the knowledge and enthusiasm to make the vision a reality. Laschi Bros. believe that their ultimate garden center will make gardening decisions easy - why shop anywhere else?

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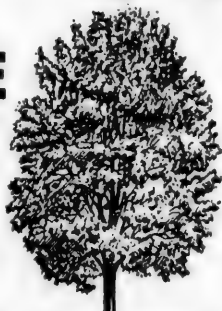
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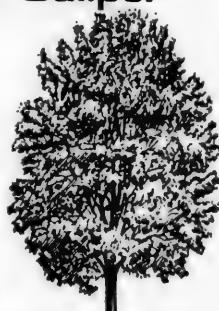


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# Gardens rich with fragrance requires care while shopping

By Ed Hutchison  
For AP Special Edition

Achieving a summer garden rich with fragrance requires care while shopping but is otherwise within reach of anyone with a plot or pot of soil to plant.

Fragrant annual flowers are easy to grow and most are at their best in average, well-drained soil and in a spot that gets full or partial sun. Most are available in either seed or transplant form.

Todd Perkins, a plant breeder for Goldsmith Seeds, Inc., Gilroy, Calif., and Nona Koivula, executive director of the National Garden Bureau, Downer's Grove, Ill., offer these recommendations to add color and fragrance to the garden:

Sweet alyssum, sweet pea, nicotiana, some petunias, snapdragons, stock, dianthus, some zinnias, heliotrope, four o'clock and pansies. Perkins considers sweet pea, sweet alyssum and nicotiana the most fragrant of the bunch; heliotrope with its vanilla fragrance is a Koivula favorite.

Interestingly, many of the most popular summer annuals have no fragrance to speak of — and probably never will, Perkins said. "Some flowers don't have a fragrance and there's nothing we can do to add it."

Among summer favorites that Perkins said are likely to remain fragrance-free are geraniums, impatiens, salvia, begonia and vinca. The fra-

grance in geraniums comes from its leaves, he noted.

"If there's a hint of fragrance we can often select it from among other variables in the plant and strengthen it." A recent example Perkins cites is the cyclamen. While primarily sold as a potted florist plant, breeders have succeeded in amplifying the fragrance of one strain. The result is, in Perkins' opinion, "an incredibly intense citrus-rose fragrance."

The fragrance story becomes even more heady at night. Some plants are pollinated after dark by bats and moths, and these are especially fragrant at night as a means of attracting these critters to their blossoms. Nicotiana, or flowering tobacco, is an example of a night pollinator.

That nicotiana is mostly fragrant

when the sun goes down is more than a botanical curiosity. Gardeners who enjoy spending evenings on the patio or deck might include plantings of nicotiana up close so the fragrance from their bloom can be enjoyed.

Plants with fragrant blossoms come in a wide range of colors and growth habits. Here are particulars on each:

- Sweet alyssum (white, rose and pink).

Plants are 4 inches high and wide; perfect for edging in sunny places.

- Sweet pea (shades of pink, rose, cream, red). Plants can be either bush or trailing form and about 14 inches tall. Needs full sun.

- Nicotiana (shades of salmon, red, peach, purple and white). These range in height from 12 to 24 inches. Best in

massed plantings and in full sun.

- Snapdragons (red, pink, white, yellow, bronze, peach and shades in between). They range in height from 6 to 36 inches. Tall varieties should be staked to keep bloom upright; best in full sun and when temperatures are not blistering.

- Petunias (virtually all colors). They're probably the most diverse in flower color of all annuals. Koivula believes blue varieties are the most fragrant. Height from 8 to 12 inches and best in mostly sunny locations.

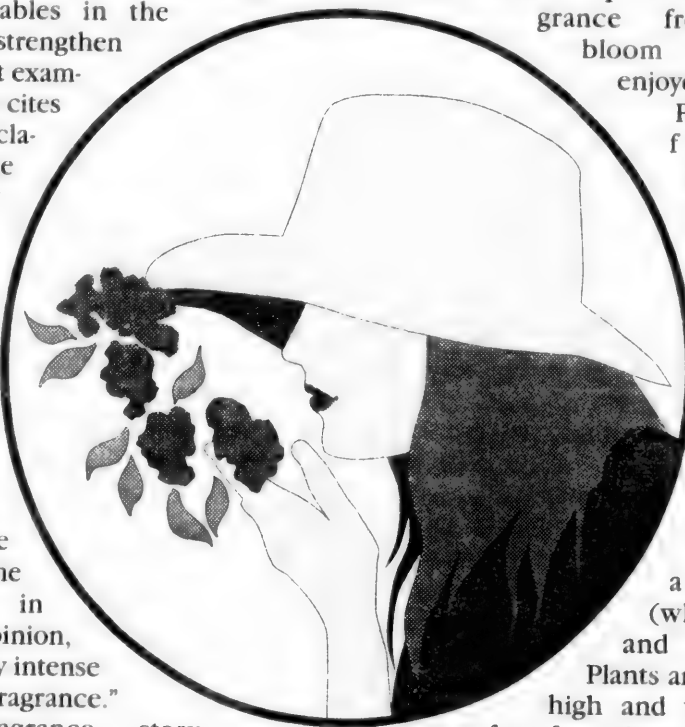
- Heliotrope (purple, violet and white). The heights range from 10 to 24 inches; part sun.

- Zinnia (red, white, yellow, pink, salmon and shades of each). Heights range from 6 to 36 inches; does best in full sun. The fragrance is subtle and more pronounced indoors as a cut flower.

- Four o'clocks (red, pink, yellow, white and bi-color). Grow on bushy plants 24 to 36 inches tall. Full sun.

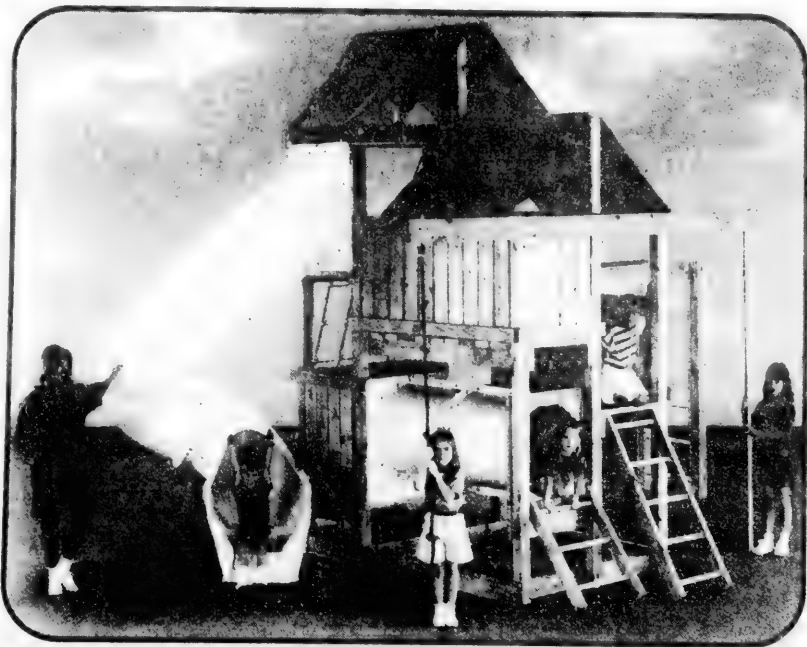
- Pansies (virtually all colors and patterns, including a color that approaches black). Yellows and white seem to shimmer, even on a cloudy days. Does best in cool temperatures and in sunny to partly sunny locations. Grow 6 to 10 inches tall.

- Stock (white, light yellow, purple). This is a snapdragon-like arrangement of small flowers on a stem. Does best in full sun.



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# Adding or updating central air conditioning?

## *Climate Design offers some advice and answers*

Usually located out of sight, the climate control systems in our homes often don't receive the scrutiny they should. Here are just a few of the commonly asked questions and answers provided by Climate Design Systems Inc. of Haverhill.

### **1. How would I add air conditioning to my home?**

If you have forced hot air in your home already, then air conditioning is relatively easy and inexpensive to install. A cooling coil is installed to your existing furnace, and a condenser is placed outside. In the summer, the blower from your furnace draws the air through the cooling coil to be distributed throughout your home.

If you do not have forced hot air, a combination blower and coil unit can be placed in the attic or basement. Rectangular and round ducts would carry the air throughout the home. Registers would be installed in your floor or ceiling.

### **2. Is central air conditioning loud and expensive to operate?**

The systems are not loud when designed and installed correctly. The two main sources of sound from an air system are the blower and excessive air turbulence. To prevent these problems, a quality installation includes fitting ductwork with acoustical liner. During fabrication, the liner is glued, pinned and spot welded to the inside of the duct. This prevents blower and air noise from echoing throughout the system. Moreover, the units in the attic should be hung from the rafters to prevent vibration on the ceiling below. Be sure any estimates you receive include these services.

The bottom line is the cost of operating central air conditioning is almost always much less costly than inefficient and noisy room air conditioners.

### **3. My existing unit operates just fine, why should I pay to have someone service it?**

A lack of maintenance on your equipment can void your warranties. Regular maintenance ensures you receive the best efficiency (energy savings) and reliability from your equipment.

### **4. What should I look for in a service department?**

First and foremost, the company you choose should have a service department that is separate from installation. Otherwise, you may be forced to wait for repairs for weeks while more profitable installations are being handled.

The service department you select should provide the following: 1) Separate service and installation departments, 2) 24-hour emergency service, 3) Quick response time, 4)

Technicians licensed and factory trained, 5) Extensive inventory of parts, and 6) Yearly maintenance agreements.

These considerations become most important should an emergency occur after normal business hours.

### **5. Why should I choose a higher priced brand? Aren't they all the same?**

Many factors differentiate one brand from the next. The quality of materials and engineering design are directly linked to the warranty, efficiency and reliability of a unit. A brand with a higher initial cost may be less expensive over time due to fewer service calls and lower electric bills.

### **6. As long as it cools or heats, is the size of my air conditioning or heating system really that important?**

Size is very important. Oversizing a unit has serious drawbacks, and is even illegal in some states, including Massachusetts. An oversized unit will heat or cool your home very quickly. Unfortunately, it will also result in higher electric bills, increased maintenance costs and uneven temperatures. Oversized air conditioning systems do not operate long enough to dehumidify. The air needs to be steadily circulated through the cooling coil in order to drain the air of moisture.

A heating and cooling load calculation should be done by the contractor to determine what size unit your home needs. 3 Rules of thumb<sup>2</sup> are not sufficient because many things can affect the load in your home: the amount of sunlight, direction the house faces, amount of insulation, and even the number of people and appliances.

### **7. If all my estimates are quoting the same equipment, isn't the lowest priced contractor a better value?**

A quality, established dealer has access to many resources to aid in the design, installation and servicing of your system. These resources allow the dealer to customize a total comfort system for your family. One way to determine how well a dealer stands behind his work is to look at the labor warranty. It should match the part warranty on equipment.

The best contractors will send out a professional representative of the company to perform a complete home survey. This is a fact gathering visit that would include measuring the rooms, windows and the insulation in the walls, attic and basement. It should also include a brief interview to identify your lifestyle requirements and any unusual factors to consider in design,

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Dig in for some reading:

• A fancy, formal garden demands the owner sustain it with a strict regime of cultivating, watering, spraying, and manicuring. "Is it necessary for the gardener to be at odds with nature in this way?" asks the English garden designer John Brookes in "Natural Landscapes" (DK Publishing, \$29.95 hardcover). He recommends — and gives examples — of how gardeners can make use of indigenous plants to integrate the plot with its surroundings and terrain. If you live in prairie country, you might use local grasses

spotted with sunflowers, coneflowers, Rudbeckia and bee-balm. The garden in a desert locale will be welcoming to succulents, cacti, and palms. Brookes backs measured encouragement of wildlife, since many birds, insects and small mammals will help you combat pests without chemicals.

• The noted British garden writer Christopher Lloyd is self-deprecating about his cooking skills, but he appreci-

ates the convergence of growing food, preparing it and enjoying it with friends: "We have always grown a lot of fruit and vegetables in the garden," he writes in "Gardener Cook" (Willow Creek Press, \$29.50). "What could be more natural than to want to use them effectively in the kitchen. As I gained confidence, the stream of friends visiting, largely at weekends, increased enormously and so did my enjoyment of them." This self-described "fig pig" offers in often humorous prose advice about growing and recipes for eating.

• Keeping plants at home or at the office is almost instinctive to most garden enthusiasts. "Indoor Plants" (Reader's Digest, \$30 hardcover), by Jane Courtier and Graham Clarke, is a basic guide to getting the best out of your choices. Among the sections is one devoted to looking at your plant population from a whole-house point of view, choosing the most effective arrangements for decorating and growing. There's also information about buying and caring for your plants, but the section you're likely to use most is the fairly comprehensive plant directory and secondary plant lists, with facts and photos of each specimen covered.

• Two handy pocket guides from DK Publishing are "Garden Herbs" (\$9.95 hardcover), by Lesley Bremness, and "101 Essential Tips: Basic Gardening" (\$3.95 paperback), by Pippa Greenwood. The herb guide includes overviews of the most popular types, with information about growing them and using them in the kitchen and around the house. The basic gar-

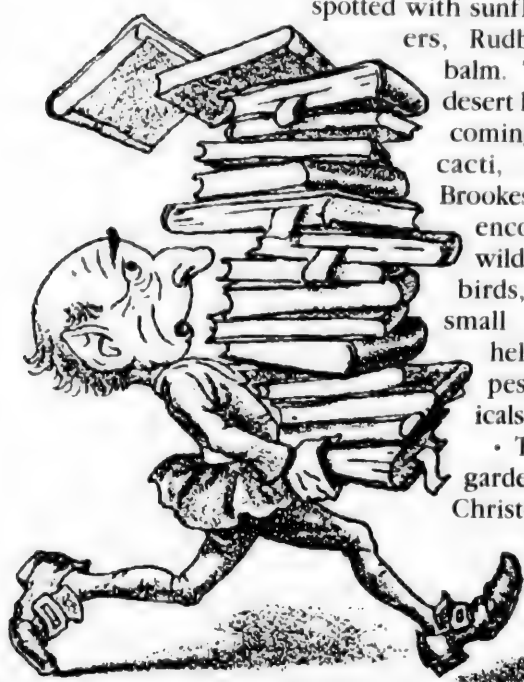
dening guide is a quick course (or perhaps refresher) covering tool and plant selection, preparation, planting, pruning, care, and propagating.

• At the other end of the scale is the humongous (1,095 pages) "The American Horticultural Society A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants" (DK Publishing, \$79.95 hardcover), edited by Christopher Brickell and Judith D. Zuk. The serious plant person will find over 15,000 kinds profiled, along with information about cultivation and care in American growing zones. This is a natural companion to "The Encyclopedia of Gardening" (DK Publishing, \$59.95 hardcover), a standard reference published several years ago.

• Another reference in the superbook category is the 1,008-page "Botanica: The Illustrated A-Z of Over 10,000 Garden Plants and How to Cultivate Them" (Random House, \$50 hardcover with carrying case). Included are sections devoted to special types of gardens, a comprehensive listing of plants, and a glossary of botanical and horticultural terms.

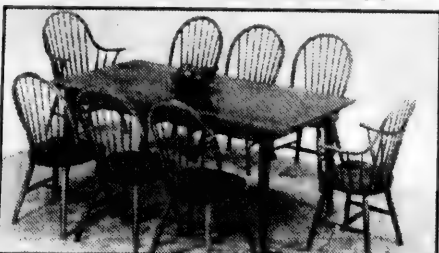
• If you missed the show, you can still read the book: "Mrs. Greenthumbs Plows Ahead: Five Steps to the Drop-Dead Gorgeous Garden of Your Dreams" (Crown, \$25 hardcover), by television's gardener-comedian, Cassandra Danz. Ms. Danz disdains what she calls the "suburban park" yard and entertainingly instructs you on how to turn this boring spot of land into a beautiful, interesting, and private "cottage garden." But, she cautions, even after you've achieved

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this garden, you're not done. "Even after the fat lady wraps her tonsils about the last high C, she has to keep weeding, mulching, and cutting back, digging up and replanting between trips to Weight Watchers."

• Perhaps you're happy just to potter around the garden, planting wherever there's a likely space. On the other hand, you might have a vision of what the garden should be like. In "The Garden Design Book" (Regan Books/HarperCollins, \$50 hardcover), by Cheryl Merseur and the editors of

Garden Design magazine, you get to look at real gardens put together with some unexpected twists • like a pool made from a farm trough and a bamboo tepee covered with scarlet runner beans. The overall message is to look at your garden as a whole, with suggestions for natural, formal, container, kitchen, courtyard, cottage, and country gardens.

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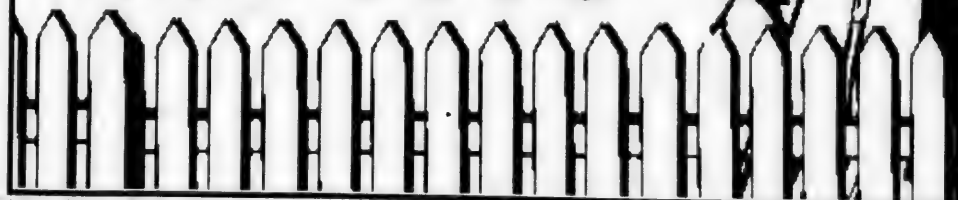
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# Bring on the butterflies

By Jane Berger  
For AP Special Edition

There's nothing as loyal in a garden as a butterfly. If you plant what they like, they'll return to your garden year after year and ensure that favorite flowers and shrubs keep on producing beautiful blooms.

Butterfly gardening is very popular these days, likely spurred by the environmental movement. Luring butterflies promotes creation of urban oases to replace natural habitats lost to development, and it requires elimination of herbicides and insecticides that are lethal to butterfly larvae.

Butterflies are sun worshippers, and they are attracted to brightly colored flowers that produce the sweet nectar on which they thrive. The butterfly bush (*Buddleia davidii*) is probably the best-known plant for drawing butterflies. From June to frost, its arching, lilac-like blooms will attract all kinds of butterflies, including Monarchs, Skippers, and Painted Ladies. Buddleias are hardy from zones 5 to 10, grow to a height of 10-12 feet, and have deeply fragrant blooms that come in purples, blues, pinks, lavenders, and whites. In smaller gardens, the

buddleia "Lochin" may be more appropriate. It is only 3 to 6 feet high, with a compact, mounded habit, and its lavender flowers appear in late summer.

The brilliant orange perennial butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) is the other great attraction for butterflies. A member of the milkweed family, it will grow almost anywhere with full sun and well-drained soil.

Perennials, shrubs, and annuals should be planted with blooming seasons in mind to keep a steady stream of butterflies in your garden from spring to fall. Appropriate spring varieties include lavender, impatiens, primrose, lilac and New Jersey tea (*Ceanothus americanus*). Later on, sunflowers, asters, cosmos, yarrow, goldenrod and zinnias will keep them flying in through the summer and into fall.

In northern climates, shrubs that attract wide varieties of butterflies include the glossy abelia (*Abelia x grandiflora*), and the sweet pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*). Some appropriate shrubs for the south and west are lantana, desert willow (*Chilopsis leucomeris*) and ocotillo (*Fourciera splendens*).

Most butterflies are not terribly fussy, but like humans, they have their preferences. The Giant Swallowtail, with a wingspan of more than 5 inches, likes bouganvillea, papaya, azalea and honeysuckle; the Western Tiger Swallowtail likes hibiscus, red valerian, and coastal buckwheat.

The blue-winged Spring Azure can be lured by dandelion and privet; the Great Spangled Fritillary likes coneflower, catmint, scarlet sage, and dogbane.

The Monarch's range extends throughout the country, and it is among the most familiar of butterflies. It prefers a range of easily grown and easily found plants, including milkweed, cosmos, mint, sedum and zinnia.

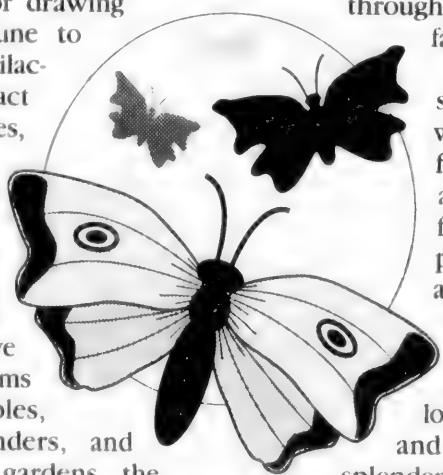
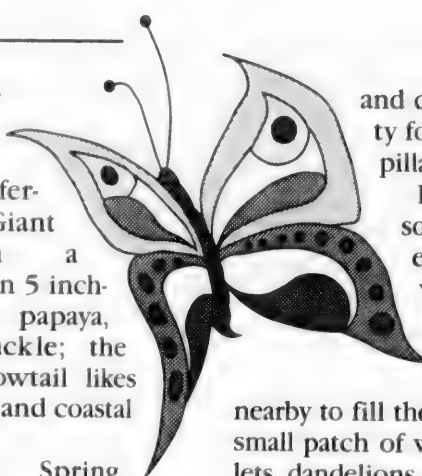
Many gardeners are wary of luring any creature into the yard that might find something they'll consider delectable and cause a lot of plant damage. Butterfly larvae, depending on the species, might be tempted to munch on parsley, dill, milkweed and clover, and sometimes willow or poplar leaves. Birds and other natural predators will usually take care of excessive caterpillars, but most gardeners will have to tolerate a plant loss or two to get the beautiful payoff later in the season. A good solution is to plant a few extra parsley

and dill plants, leaving plenty for you and for the caterpillars as well.

Butterflies do need some cover to lay their eggs and feed their larvae. If you live in the suburbs there will likely be enough grass and weeds nearby to fill their needs. If not, hide a small patch of weeds somewhere (violets, dandelions, a weedy perennial like Queen Anne's lace) to give them what they require.

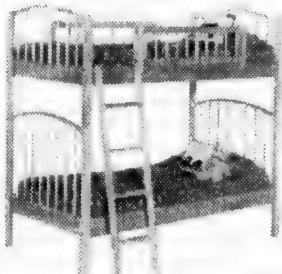
Butterfly gardens do not require extensive space. You can even fill containers on an urban balcony with plants that butterflies fancy, and as long as you place the pots in a sunny area that's out of the wind, the butterflies will find them. If you're not sure what flowers or plants you need, some mail-order companies (including Burpee's, Shepherd's, Park Seed, and White Flower Farm) are now offering mixes to attract butterflies. Or check with your local nursery to see what they recommend for your area.

If you want to attract a particular butterfly appropriate for your part of the country, advice is available from the Xerces Society in Portland, Oregon; the North American Butterfly Association in Morristown, N.J.; or the Lepidopterists' Society in Manhattan Beach, Calif.



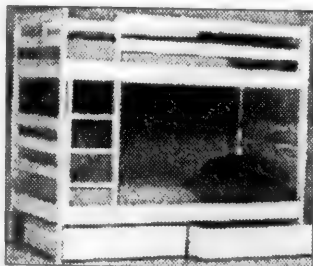
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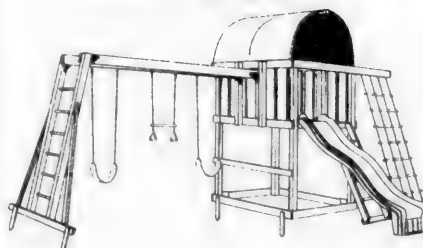
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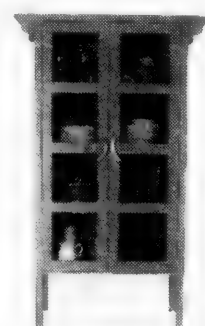
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# Trees and garden architecture

By Jane Berger  
For AP Special Edition

A great-looking garden just doesn't happen overnight after a quick trip to the nursery. Like spectacular homes, spectacular gardens benefit greatly from a little professional or do-it-yourself architectural planning.

Using trees for architectural effect is an easy, economical and creative way to add year-round interest to any garden.

Trees are the backbone of a garden's overall framework, and they provide a sense of proportion for small patio gardens and large suburban properties alike. Every tree has a distinctive form and habit and should have a distinctive purpose. The tree you plant today will likely be with you for the rest of your life, so you should carefully consider how you want to use it.

Trees with unusual shapes and features lend verve and imagination to the overall design. Their strong branching patterns stand out against the sky or a solid fence. Japanese maples (*Acer palmatum*) are an excellent choice as garden specimens because of their layered branching, decorative lobed leaves, spectacular fall color and singular form that is attractive throughout the winter. There are many arresting cultivars of Japanese maples, from "Bloodgood," the burgundy foliage, to the dazzling "Dissectum" with lace-like leaves and long, arching branches that

*Northern residents can plan on an exquisite display once a year if they choose the right trees for fall. Among favorites are the pure yellow of the ginkgo tree, the brilliant red of "October glory" red maple, the orange and scarlet hawthorns. Be sure to select the sites for these trees carefully so you can clearly see them from inside as they go through their autumn ritual.*

reach to the ground. But if you decide on a Japanese maple, don't make the mistake by letting it go unpruned for years — it'll end up looking like any other old tree.

Weeping trees are the living equivalent of garden sculptures and add class to any landscape. Can you ever remember a time when you didn't notice the graceful, drooping branches of a weeping willow beside a river or pond? Weeping trees contrast with ground-level horizontal lines and reiterate strong verticals, like the height of a

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## Trees and garden architecture

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house or garage. Other weeping trees not so commonly used that you may want to consider include the beech, pine, hemlock, fig and "Red Jade" crabapple.

Broad and spreading trees provide shade and relief from high summer temperatures, and they cool your house as well. Big-leaved trees like London plane or cucumber magnolia will provide the deepest shade and coolest temperatures. A finely cut honeylocust lets through a lot more light, giving you dappled shade where many perennials will thrive. In small urban gardens, the trident maple (*Acer buergerianum*) and yellowwood (*Cladrastis kentuckea*) are excellent choices for shading patios.

Trees are perfect for defining your property, whether you screen the perimeter entirely with evergreens or plant a row of small deciduous trees along your property line to separate your lot from your neighbor's.

Trees also can divide your property into sections. At Naumkeag in Stockbridge, Mass., landscape architect Fletcher Steele linked the estate's upper gardens with the lower lawn by lining a curving staircase with an allee of birches that cascades down the hillside. At Dumbarton Oaks in

Washington, a single enormous American beech tree sets apart upper and lower garden terraces.

Many trees have the lovely attributes of unusual bark, spring or summer flowers, spectacular fall foliage. All can be used to energize your landscape and beautify it throughout the seasons. In spring, clouds of pink blossoms fill the sky of the nation's capital when thousands of cherry trees burst into bloom. A single weeping cherry on the front lawn of a suburban house will bring on a similar breathless reaction.

There are flowering trees suitable for any zone or any size garden. In February, delicate witchhazels trumpet the change of seasons with strap-like blooms in yellows, reds, and bronzes. In spring, the majesty of magnolias, whether the huge, evergreen Southern magnolia or the charming "little girl" magnolias, cannot be overstated. The goldenrain tree (*Koelreuteria paniculata*) is becoming more popular, and its deep yellow blooms that appear in summer are brightening shopping malls and many other urban landscapes. In southern climates, the red-flowering gum (*Eucalyptus ficifolia*) is covered in masses of red to pink clusters, and in California, it blooms both in spring and fall.

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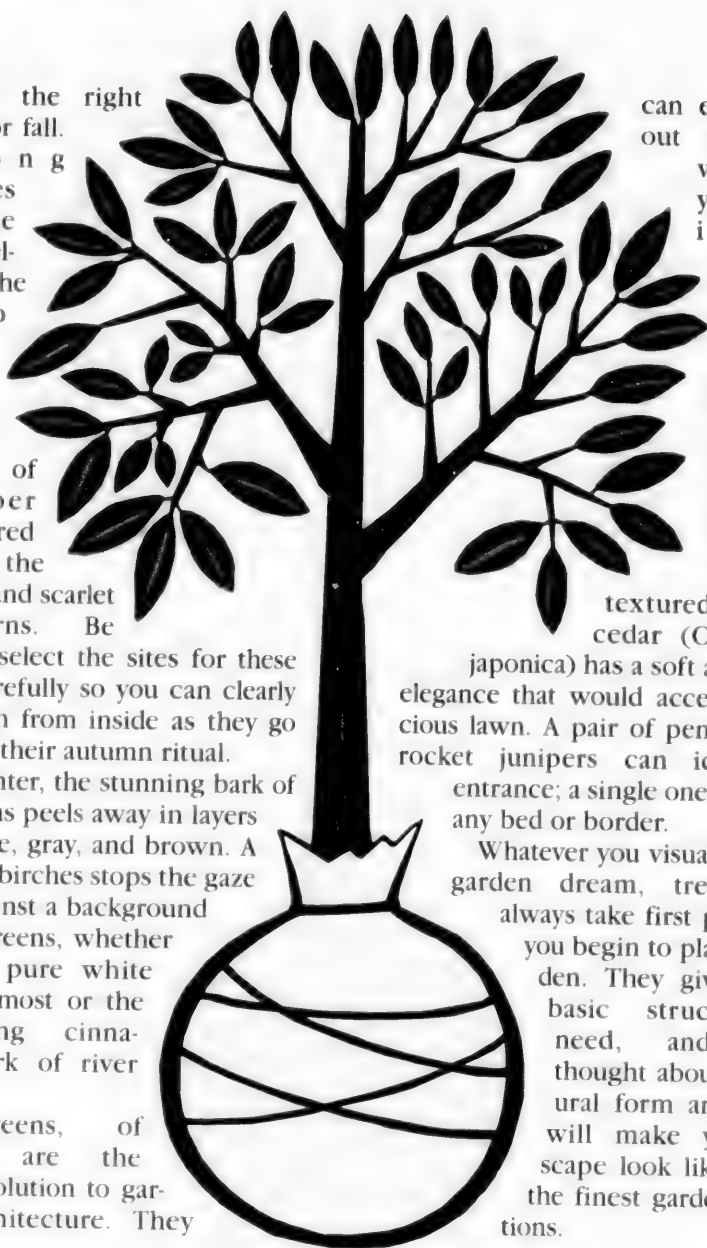
In winter, the stunning bark of stewartias peels away in layers of orange, gray, and brown. A grove of birches stops the gaze cold against a background of evergreens, whether it's the pure white bark of most or the exfoliating cinnamon bark of river birch.

Evergreens, of course, are the instant solution to garden architecture. They

can entirely shut out undesirable views, divide your garden into "rooms," serve as wind-breaks to protect tender plants, or stand alone as specimens. The dense and fine-textured Japanese cedar (*Cryptomeria japonica*) has a soft and flowing elegance that would accent any spacious lawn. A pair of pencil-like sky-rocket junipers can identify an entrance; a single one will accent any bed or border.

Whatever you visualize as your garden dream, trees should always take first place when you begin to plan your garden. They give you the basic structure you need, and careful thought about their natural form and features will make your landscape look like those in the finest garden publica-

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# The new roses

Until a few years ago, growing roses was an all-or-nothing venture and the formula pretty much worked out to this:

Work at their upkeep and enjoy a harvest of blossoms. Ignore them and earn in return few flowers and often, a dead bush.

Enter the new, improved shrub rose and the equation shifts to this: Invest minimal effort and

enjoy blossoms that are richly fragrant, colorful and of interesting shapes.

Most familiar rose varieties — Peace, Double Delight, Queen Elizabeth, Sterling Silver, Barbara Bush, Chrysler Imperial, John F. Kennedy, Mr. Lincoln — belong to different groups, notably hybrid teas and grandifloras. As a class, they require frequent feeding, watering, pruning, pest surveillance and in much of the country, protection from winter cold.

Shrub roses grow into large vase-shaped shrubs and bear blossoms in an interesting diversity of old-fashioned shapes. Many are richly fragrant. They tend to have the same pest problems as other types but they are usually more

hardy over winter, sometimes doing just fine with little or no protection. Feeding and pruning chores are minimal.

Old-fashioned shrub roses typically bloomed but once a year. Most new shrub roses are repeat bloomers and David Austin, an English breeder, is generally recognized as the force behind putting new zip in this old style rose. He's coined the term English roses to describe the new types.

"Joe Blow on Main Street is looking for something easier to grow than the hybrid tea types," says

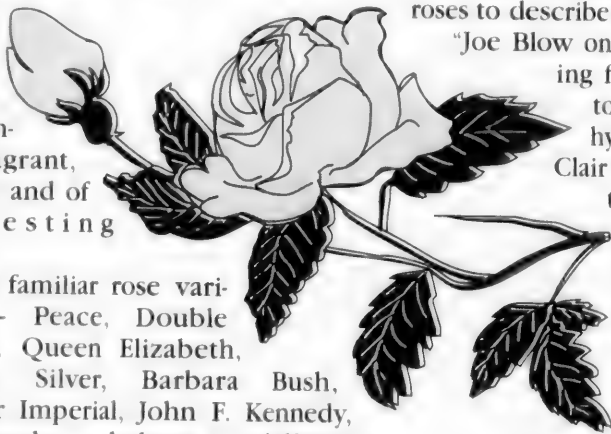
Clair G. Martin, horticulturist and author of "100 English Roses for the American Garden" (Smith & Hawken/Workman Publishing, \$17.95 paperback). Martin is also curator of the rose collection

at The Huntington Botanic Gardens in San Marino, Calif. The collection there approaches 4,000 bushes, representing about 1,500 varieties.

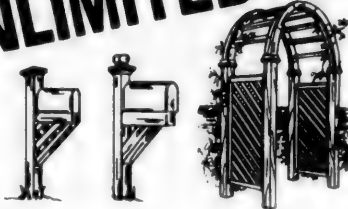
He believes the average gardener wants a bush that brings color and fragrance to the landscape and is convinced the shrub roses do just that.

"The best of them are hardy and will tolerate heat, or cold. For the most

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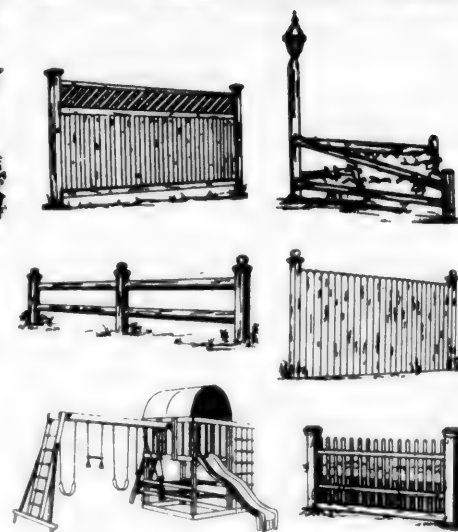
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# Roses: For the most they require minimal care

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part, they require minimal care, and what care you do give them is like with a lilac — a little pruning, a little shaping and supplemental irrigation during a dry period. There's minimal care needed as far as disease and insect prevention. These are the characteristics I would want in the perfect rose and that's why I like the shrub rose group."

Despite their good points, Richard G. Hawke of the Chicago Botanic Garden (CBG) in Glencoe, Ill., has reservations about the utility of the modern shrub rose as a bush in the yard.

"People who saw them here fell in love with their colors, form and fragrance but without a good year, the shrubs were doggy," he says. As CBG's coordinator of plant evaluation programs, Hawke led an evaluation of 51 shrub roses. They received minimal care, which was intentional, and none were protected over winter.

He found that modern shrub roses are similar to grandifloras, hybrid teas and other garden-type roses when it comes to bloom cover and disease resistance. Canadian-bred roses in the group had greater winter hardiness than garden roses and were somewhat



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required of the hybrid teas and other modern garden types, try either the English or Canadian types. He believes that with minimal effort, they'll reward the gardener with fragrant, interesting blossoms throughout summer.

Here are three of Martin's favorite shrub roses:

— **Golden Celebration.** Grows about 4 feet high and wide and bears double, bright golden-yellow blossoms. The color remains strong for the life of the flower. Martin describes the strong fragrance as a mix of fruit and tea rose aromas. New canes are mahogany colored and almost thornless. Tolerance to blackspot and mildew is good. Martin recommends this variety as a border plant or in a cutting. Its blossoms are excellent for cutting.

— **Tamora.** Martin favors this variety for its compact growth, strong myrrh fragrance and profusion of bloom. Blossoms are a blend of orange, peach and apricot and are set off nicely by the dark green foliage. He likes to see Tamora planted en masse, in borders or edges. The flowers are excellent for cutting. In cool climates, mature height is about 3 feet and width about 2 feet — and a bit larger in warmer regions.

— **Wise Portia.** Grows just under 3 feet high and wide in cool climates and a bit larger in warm ones. Martin likes it for its profusion of carmine red to purple blossoms, its dark green, shiny foliage and disease resistance. Unlike many varieties, it does OK in part shade. The fragrance is a strong old rose scent.

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### Cut energy bills with an energy audit

TOLEDO (AP) — One way to cut energy bills is to make a systematic energy audit, according to Owens Corning, which has launched an "Energy Savers" campaign in partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

Think about how all the materials, products and appliances in your home work together as a system, advises the company, which makes insulation products.

This will help you analyze future purchases and home improvement projects that can maximize energy efficiency and save you money.

Caulk, sealant and insulation not only reduce demand for heating and cooling but let you use a smaller and less expensive heating-cooling system.

Here are some specifics recommended by the company:

- To find out if your attic has enough insulation, simply measure its depth. If there's less than a foot, you may need to add more. The DOE recommends R-38 — about 12 inches of fiberglass blanket insulation — for most U.S. homes. Call Owens Corning at 1 (800) 438-7465 to find out the DOE-recommended R-value for your area, determined by local heating-cooling costs and the climate.

- On a windy day, hold a lighted candle next to windows, doors, electrical boxes, plumbing fixtures, attic door openings and other locations where there may be an air path to the outside. A flickering flame indicates there may be an air leak that needs caulking, sealing and-or weatherstripping.

- Compare your energy bills with those of an average house in your neighborhood; the utility company can provide the figures. If you note significant differences, ask your neighbors about their energy-efficiency practices.

- Are you using incandescent bulbs in your appliances, lamps and light fixtures? Replace them with the new compact fluorescent bulbs to save as much as 75 percent on lighting energy.

- If your hot water heater was made before 1991 and feels warm to the touch, it may need an insulation blanket to prevent heat loss. Check that the water heater thermostat is set at 115 degrees (or 140 degrees if you have a dishwasher).

- Do your windows rattle? If they're swollen, rotting or drafty even after they're sealed, consider replacing them with double- or triple-pane windows

that can reduce energy use and make your home more comfortable. Today's vinyl windows also are easier to maintain.

- Check and service your furnace and air-conditioning units once a year. Change the filter in your forced air heating system each month, and close vents in rooms not often used. The DOE estimates you can improve your efficiency by as much as 10 percent by proper maintenance and adjustment to your existing systems.

- Keep your thermostat set at an inside temperature of 65 to 68 degrees during winter. In summer, set the air-conditioning thermostat at 75 to 78 degrees when you're home and at 80 degrees when you're away or asleep.

- Clean refrigerator coils regularly. Also check refrigerator door seals by closing the door over a piece of paper or a dollar bill so that it is half in and half out of the refrigerator; if you can pull the paper or bill out easily, the latch may need adjustment or the seal may need replacing. Defrost your freezer on a regular basis to keep air vents open and working.

- Take an inventory of your appliances. As you replace the older ones, look for models with the Energy Star label with fuel efficiency ratings listed.

### Pump priming

CHICAGO (AP) — Before you discover your basement under water, make yourself a promise: regular checkups of the sump pump.

"Because it's out of sight, many homeowners often forget about their sump pumps until it's too late and they're standing knee-deep in water," says David L. Weiner, executive director of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Information Bureau, an industry group.

The sump pump, he points out, is a crucial line of defense against water seepage and flooding. He recommends checking out the pump every year as part of your regular spring cleaning routine.

Taking appropriate caution in working around water and electricity, follow this checklist from PHCIB:

- Clean out any debris, garbage or buildup that may have worked its way into the sump it since the last time the pump was used.

- Connect a garden hose to the laundry tub sink, fill the sump pit with water, and see if the pump kicks on. If it doesn't, you may need to replace the switch. But first make sure the pump is plugged in or that a fuse hasn't blown.

- While pumps don't have filters, they do have screens or small openings

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The sheer size of an interior door demands that it gets noticed. So, by giving some thought to the ambiance you're trying to create, you can choose specific kinds of doors that will carry a specific feeling throughout a room or the entire house. For instance, mirrored closet doors can visually expand the space of an otherwise confining room.

Double French doors, now available in molded wood fiber construction, can add an air of elegance and style to any home. They are more popular than ever for homeowners attempting to create more rooms and lend their homes a spacious atmosphere. Double French doors open up rooms at appropriate times and still enable homeowners to close off spaces for more privacy.

Paneled styles of molded wood fiber doors can be traditionally painted or approached in a whimsical manner with contrasting colors.

Here are a few tricks:

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bers a different color. Accent the molding with a third color that you want to emphasize from the room decor. Second, experiment with different styles of painting. Daub paint on with a damp sponge for a mottled look. Crumpled plastic bags or paper towels

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Before you ruin a weekend or hire a neighbor's teen-ager, Mann offers some points to consider that suggest the lowest price may not be the best value:

**Safety:** Painting can be hazardous work, whether it's working on a ladder or dealing with solvents and dust. Hiring a professional contractor means

you won't have to worry about these problems.

**Health:** If your home was built before 1978, it was almost certainly painted with lead-based paint, which can cause serious health effects when it is scraped or sanded in preparation for repainting. Professional contractors will take appropriate steps to protect you.

**Knowing paints and how to apply them:** The choices today are more complicated than just oil or latex, and professional contractors will know what works and how to use it, and will have the right tools for the job.

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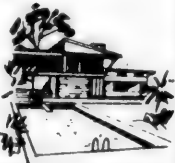
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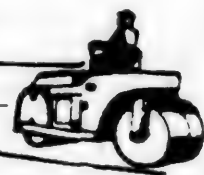
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- Also focused on scale is "One-Room Living" (DK Publishing, \$18.95 hardcover), by Sylvia Katz. City dwellers (or those with small pied-a-terre in the city) already familiar with studio or loft apartments might find some new ideas for making the most of the space they have, such as creating storage under a new false floor and its step. Included in the book, part of DK Home Design Workbooks series, are a questionnaire, instructions for making plans, and grids to help you analyze and design your small space.

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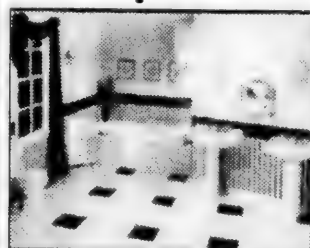
hardcover), by Nicholas Barnard. Among the projects is a section devoted to using decorative ceramic tiles, with instructions on selection and installation. The publisher also offers small "101 Essential Tips" handbooks, "Decorating with Fabric" and "Home Decorating" (each \$6.95 paperback).

- Your ancestors used to paint pictures and motifs everywhere in the house — floors, walls, ceilings, cabinets, et al. A revival of interest in this colorful treatment has sparked interest in special effects painting instruction, such as "Decorative Paint Recipes" (Chronicle Books, \$19.95 softcover), by Richard Lowther and Lynne Robinson. Though many of the projects — rendered freehand or with stencils, patterns, or masking tape — evoke antique charm, one with a decidedly modern look is the recipe for embellishing a staircase with gridded blocks in the style of Scottish architect Charles Rennie Mackintosh.

- John Rusk's "On Time and On Budget" has been published in a paperback version (Doubleday, \$11.95), a resource for any home remodeler in the throes of dealing with architects, contractors and other professionals they'll meet in their rehab adventures. Included is advice about finding the right architect, negotiating with contractors, timely payments and performance, and how to keep costs from escalating out of control.

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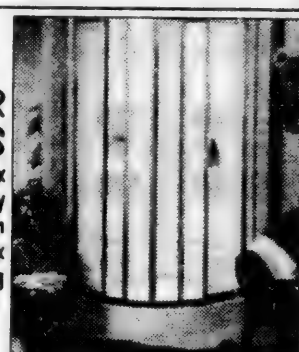
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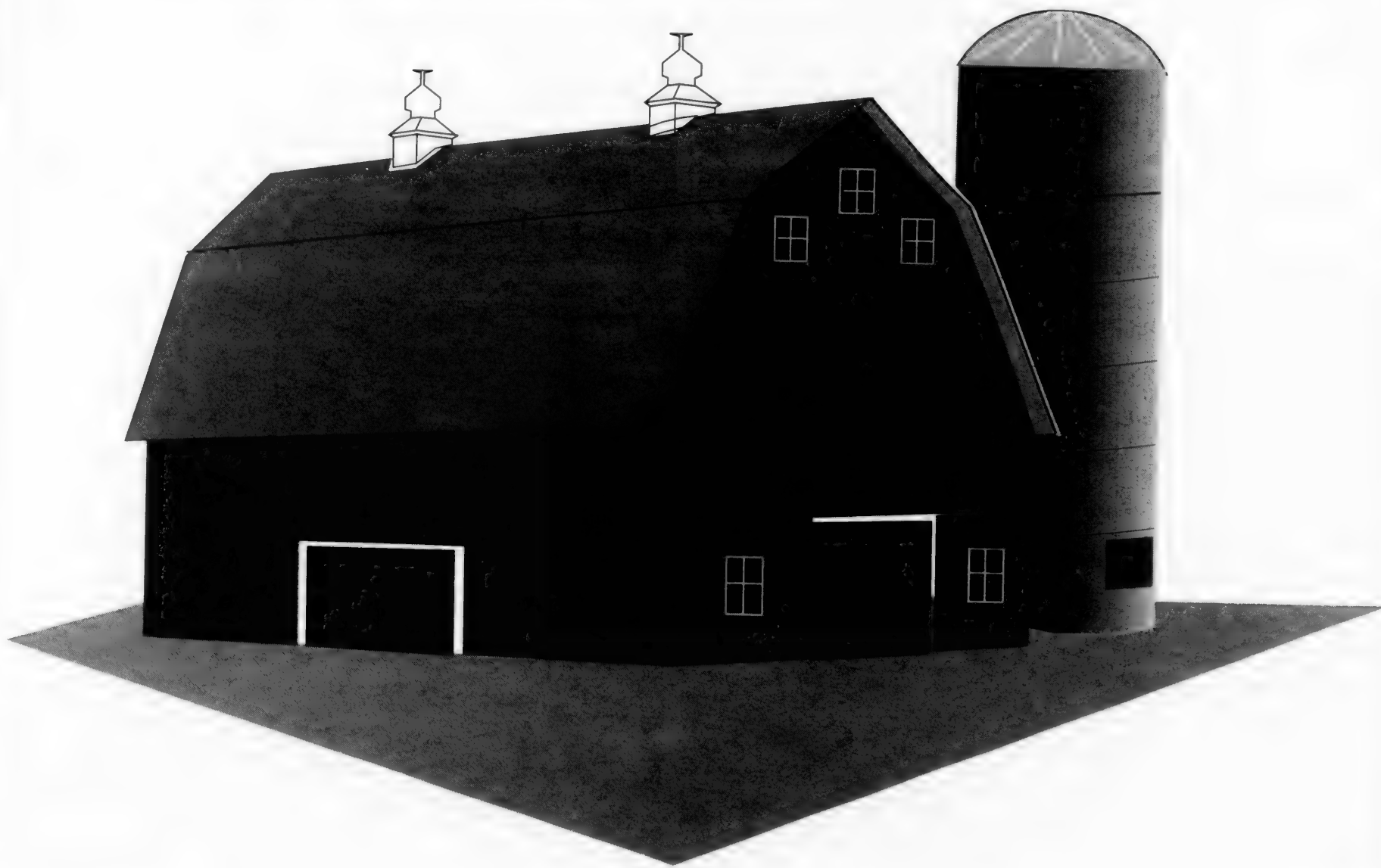
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Ask for a satisfaction guarantee: Professional contractors stand behind their work and don't want unhappy customers.

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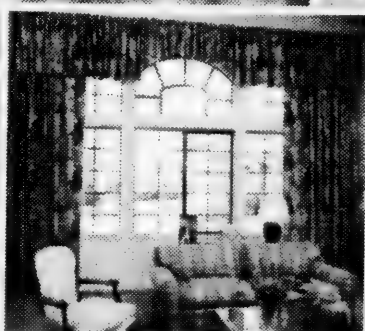
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The best way to narrow down the selection is to examine your lifestyle and your priorities. If you're constantly on the go, with careers, kids, pets and endless other commitments, you probably don't have much time to spend on home maintenance. And yet, you'll want the floors in your house to make a design statement and to work with your other furnishings to create a comfortable environment. In this case, inlaid sheet flooring could be the perfect choice for your household.

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Here's another tip: The durability of a floor depends mostly upon the thickness of its clear protective wearlayer. For this reason, you should look for inlaid flooring with an extra-thick wearlayer. It will preserve the floor's shine and enhance its colors for as long as most people want to keep it.

"Communicate clearly with the salespeople at the flooring store or home

center," says Ludovico. "Talk to them about your home, your lifestyle and your preferences. And if you're interested in inlaid flooring, ask for it specifically." (NUI)

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## Use caulk and grout to seal bathtub and tile joints

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Caulk is used to seal the joint where your bathtub meets the ceramic tile. Grout keeps water from working its way between the tiles.

There's a lot of expansion and contraction along the bathtub joint, and it's not easy to keep it watertight. The problem is worse when the joint is filled with the same grout used between tiles. Grout won't flex; instead it cracks and admits water into the dry wall or plaster behind the bathtub joint.

To repair a bathtub joint, it's usually best to use a 100 percent silicone adhesive caulk, which comes in tubes or cartridges and is available at any hardware store or home center. Look for ones called tub caulk, or tub and tile sealer. It stays flexible for years and resists cracking despite expansion and contraction. Most varieties are off-white to match standard tile grout.

Pick out all the old caulk (or grout) from the joint. Use a thin screwdriver that's slightly narrower than the joint and a razor blade or a utility knife. Clean off all debris so that the new caulk will adhere properly. Scrub with bathroom cleaner; rinse thoroughly with a sponge and dry well with cloth.

If you are using a caulk gun, cut the spout of the caulk cartridge so that it

will produce a bead of caulk large enough to fill the crack. Mount the cartridge into the gun and squeeze the gun's trigger while moving the spout forward. This will force the caulk into the crack and form an even bead the length of the crack. If using a tube of caulk, you'll also need to cut the nozzle of the tube to produce a proper-size bead to fill the joint. Squeeze the tube, pushing the caulk ahead of the spout. Smooth the bead with your finger, wearing smooth-textured gloves.

Sloppy caulking is a sure way to spoil the appearance of the tub joint. For professional results, take a tip from painters and reach for masking tape. Position the tape along both sides of your planned line of caulk so that your finger will plow the excess caulk onto the tape when you smooth the bead. Also, before smoothing the bead of caulk, wet your gloved finger with dishwashing liquid so that it moves easily along the caulk.

After you smooth down the caulk, carefully lift away the tape. You'll get a caulk line with crisp, straight edges — and a handful of goopy tape. Let the caulking dry overnight before using the bath. After the caulk has dried, use a razor blade to carefully remove any excess along the caulk line.

In contrast to caulk, grout is a type

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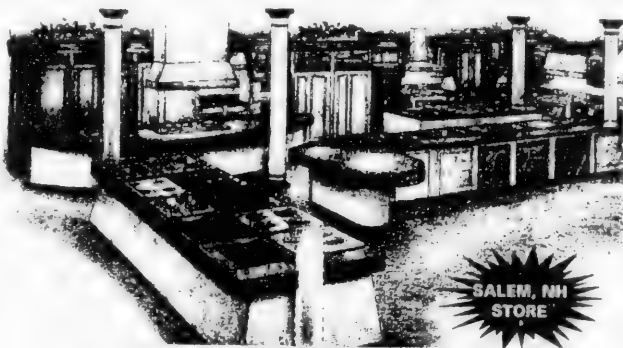
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# 10 most frequent house problems

Everything looks prettier in the spring, and so, traditionally, home sales shift into high gear just about the same time as the daffodils start to bloom. But home buyers should be careful not to taken in by a pretty face in the form of a fresh coat of paint or a new azalea bush.

Since no home is perfect, home buyers would be wise to learn where and how to look beyond the cosmetics for possible signs of problems with their prospective purchase.

Failure to do so before they buy could mean any number of unpleasant surprises after the move. Experts recommend hiring and accompanying a professional home inspector on a pre-purchase examination of the home's structural and mechanical condition. While this won't guarantee a perfect home, or even that problems won't develop sometime in the future, it will greatly reduce the risk, and it will provide a valuable education in the process.

In the most recent survey of its members, the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) compiled a list of the most frequently found problems in homes. It is significant that within this list of 10 problem categories, at least four are directly related to the damaging effects of water. Apparently, keeping water out, after a home is built, is the home owner's most important, and continually challenging, task.

It should be noted that this list represents a national average. Regional climates, building codes, and the age of a home played a significant role in the ASHI findings.

## 1. Improper surface grading/drainage

This was by far the most frequently found problem, reported by 35.8 percent of the home inspectors surveyed. It is responsible for the most common of household maladies: water penetration of the basement or crawlspace. The most effective remedies for wet basements include regrading the ground away from the house and repairing or installing a new system of roof gutters and downspouts.

## 2. Improper electrical wiring

A significant number (19.9 percent) chose this item as the most common home defect, which includes such situations as insufficient electrical service to the house, inadequate overload protection, and amateur, often dangerous, wiring connections. Some home inspectors said that 70 to 80 percent of the electrical wiring they see is done wrong, and that most of it is attributable to do-it-yourselfers. This is a serious safety hazard, not just a cosmetic defect.

## 3. Roof damage

Although reported by only 8.5% of the home inspectors as the most common problem, roof leakage, caused by old or damaged shingles, or improper

flashing, was considered by ASHI members to be a frequent problem. Shingle repairs can be easily and inexpensively done, but shingles near the end of their life span may mean a major reroofing expense.

## 4. Heating systems

Problems in this category include broken or malfunctioning operation controls, blocked chimneys and unsafe exhaust disposal. These conditions represent more than simply inefficient heating, they are health and safety hazards. Heating systems should be serviced and maintained annually by a professional, according to the manufacturer's instructions.

## 5. Poor overall maintenance

Americans take better care of their cars than they do their homes, say home inspectors, who often come across cracked, peeling, or dirty painted surfaces, crumbling masonry, makeshift wiring or plumbing, and broken fixtures or appliances. Although some of these problems may seem more cosmetic than serious, they reflect the overall lack of care which has been given to the home.

## 6. Structurally related problems

As a result of problems in one or more of the other categories, many houses sustain some, although usually not serious, damage to structural components such as foundation walls, floor joists, rafters, or window and door headers.

## 7. Plumbing

Though never ranked by the home inspectors as a number one problem, plumbing defects still ranked high among the house problems encountered, and included the existence of old or incompatible piping materials, as well as faulty fixtures and waste lines. Surprisingly, some home inspectors reported finding natural gas leaks in as many as one out of three homes inspected.

## 8. Exteriors

Flaws in a home's exterior, including windows, doors, and wall surfaces, are responsible for the discomfort caused by water and air penetration, but they rarely have structural significance. Inadequate caulking and/or weatherstripping are the most common culprits.

## 9. Poor ventilation

Perhaps due to overly ambitious efforts to save energy, many home owners have "over-sealed" their homes, resulting in excessive interior moisture. This can cause rotting and premature failure of both structural and non-structural elements. It can also lead to tremendous mold accumulation, which often causes allergic reactions.

## 10. Miscellaneous

This category included various interior components, such as sticky windows or dripping faucets, as well as a number of environmental concerns, such as lead-based paint and asbestos.



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## Cement is still a mystery

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — As common as cement is, it's still a mystery, says a University of Missouri scientist. A cement driveway only a few years old can develop cracks. "People have been making cement for a very long time, but they know very little about it," says Ron Berliner of MU's Research Reactor Center.

Berliner is looking for ways to make cement stronger, with less pollution, and better control factors. He says the world produces about 350 metric tons

of cement each year and that its production results in 10 percent of man-made greenhouse gasses.

"If we understand what contributes to the strength and durability of cement, we can arrange its formation to make a stronger and more durable concrete," Berliner says. "New technology would allow us to construct buildings at a much lower cost because they would not use as much steel for reinforcements. We are

hoping to drop those costs and help out the environment with stronger concrete. Less cement used means less needs to be made, and we in turn, release less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere."

Berliner's research is aimed at learning about the chemical reactions in cement. He has exposed a cement specimen to neutrons to observe the rate at which water combines with the dry cement.

"The Romans mixed in ox blood when they wanted to speed up cement hardening," Berliner says. "The hemoglobin in the blood makes the concrete stronger. People have known for a long time that a minute amount of sugar keeps cement from hardening too quickly. We know of chemicals that work in speeding up or slowing down the reaction, but the real understanding of why and how the chemicals work is limited."

Berliner's work is being funded by the Federal Highway Administration.

## Use caulk and grout to seal

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of water-based cement similar in composition to the mortar you see between bricks. Rather than acting as an adhesive, though, grout is a barrier to keep water and dirt from the spaces between tiles.

If some of the grout has fallen out, carefully scrape the remaining grout free with the tip of an old screwdriver

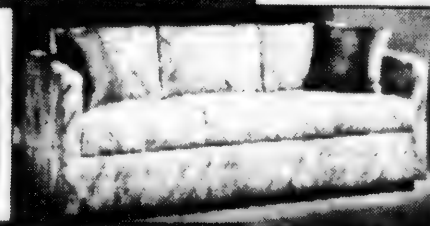
or a lever-type beverage opener. Be extra careful not to chip the edges of the surrounding tiles.

Wearing rubber gloves, use your fingers to press grout into the joints between the tiles and smooth it. Wipe off excess grout with a damp sponge. After the joints dry to the touch, use a dry cloth to burnish off the haze that forms on the tile surface.

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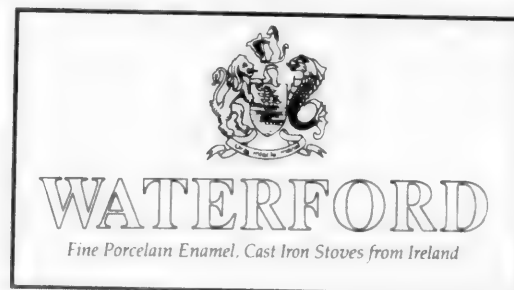
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**Q:** My toilet suddenly started acting up. I either have to hold down the handle for three seconds before it flushes or snap it really quick to flush. Otherwise too little water flows to flush. What can I do?

**A:** There is probably too much slack in the lift chain. When you flip the handle, the rubber flapper lifts only slightly off the flush valve seat. The pressure of the water on the flapper causes it to reseal on the flush valve, stopping water flow.

By holding the handle for three seconds, you are holding the flapper off

the valve seat so that the water will flow into the bowl. The water rushing past the flapper holds it up after you release the handle. It also flushes when you snap the handle quickly because the jerky action forces the flapper up to a point where water flowing into the flush valve holds the flapper open after you release the handle.

There are several causes for a slack lift chain. The chain may be slightly rusted, the hook connecting the chain to the trip lever may have stretched or the flapper may be deteriorating.

Regardless of the cause, the correction is simple: eliminate the excessive

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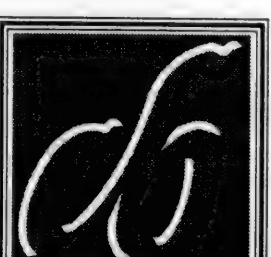


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## How to solve water heater problems

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Water heaters have relatively few components and are fairly easy to service. When problems do arise, a water heater can send out a mixture of confusing signals.

Because trouble can strike any part of your hot-water system, it helps to think in terms of its three basic elements: pipes, including all faucets and hot-water appliances; tank; and the heat source.

Piping systems cause some problems often blamed on the water heater. High operating costs may be traced to a dripping faucet or leaking pipe. A faucet that drips only one drop per second wastes nearly 800 gallons of hot water per year. In such a case, a sim-

ple, inexpensive water faucet repair will pay for itself many times over. Long, uninsulated pipe-runs also waste hot water. When you draw water from a faucet at the end of such a run, hot water must displace water that cooled in the pipe. So, to get a quart of hot water, you must draw several gallons from the tank. Keep the heat from dissipating so quickly by insulating all hot water pipes.

Hot-water storage tank problems can call for a simple parts replacement or a whole new tank. An aging water system may carry sediment into the tank, or sediment may collect as flakes of calcium and lime. In electric models, sediment-covered heating elements will burn out quickly. In gas heaters,

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slack in the chain. Do this by moving the chain hook to a different hole on the trip lever or replacing the lift chain. Replace the flapper valve if it shows signs of wear or the rubber feels soft or if it looks deteriorated.

Complete repair kits carried by most home centers and hardware stores should solve these and other flushing problems. The kits are inexpensive and come with complete installation instructions.

**Q:** To change a washer on a bathtub

faucet, I must first remove the handle. The screw comes out with no problem, but the handle is stuck tight to the valve. How can I remove it without breaking either the handle or damaging the valve stem?

**A:** Usually a light tap with a wooden hammer handle or firm wiggling by hand breaks loose the faucet handle where it has become stuck by dried soap and corrosion. If this doesn't work, try penetrating oil or even a cola drink. A few drops of cola is an old-timer's specific for a number of household and automotive problems.

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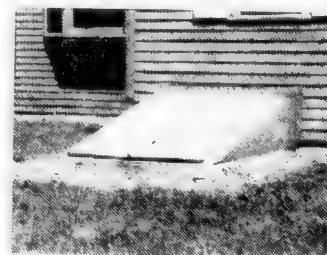
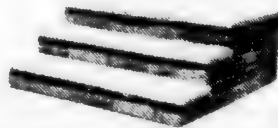
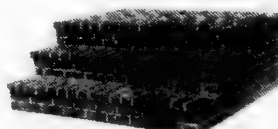


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sediment accumulates in the bottom of the tank and forms a barrier between the heat source and the water. Steam bubbles percolate through the sediment and cause a continuous rumbling sound. So, if your electric heater burns up lower elements frequently, or if your gas heater rumbles, sediment may be the culprit.

To remove sediment, first drain as much water as possible from the tank. Next, with the draincock still open, turn the water on full pressure to flush the tank. Then, reduce the pressure by half and, finally, shut off the water and allow the tank to drain completely.

A fallen dip tube is a relatively uncommon problem that can bypass unheated water to the outlet pipe. The dip tube is a pipe that delivers incoming cold water to the heat source near the tank bottom. If it slips through the cold water inlet fitting and falls into the tank, cold water entering the tank is drawn through the hot-water outlet without being heated.

To replace a dip tube, disconnect the inlet pipe from the tank. Then, cut a length of one-half-inch diameter soft copper tubing long enough to reach within 12 inches of the tank bottom. Flare the pipe end so it's slightly larger than the inside diameter of the inlet fitting. Insert the tube into the fitting and reconnect the inlet pipe.

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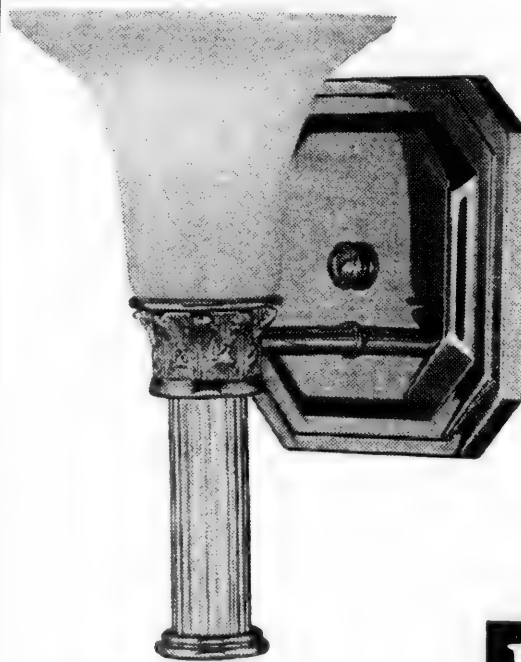
tank without problems.

Late-model water heaters have a magnesium rod to coat voids in the porcelain tank lining. An anode sacrifices itself to prevent rust and prolong the tank's life.

These rods seldom cause problems but when they do, it's often a chemical reaction to acids and minerals that gives the water a gassy odor or taste. To correct this, unscrew the magnesium rod and replace it with an aluminum rod. Most retail plumbing outlets stock them.

A relief valve keeps the heater from exploding if the thermostat sticks. When pressure builds and the water gets too hot, the relief valve opens. However, the valve spring can weaken and release water unnecessarily. To correct this, simply remove the old valve and screw in a new one.

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# Anatomy of wood is quite complicated

By Reader's Digest Books  
For AP Special Features

All trees belong in one of two broad divisions, hardwoods or softwoods.

But when it comes to actual characteristics, distinctions between the two types tend to blur. Certain softwoods, such as southern yellow pine, are harder than some hardwoods, like basswood. Because hardness and strength go hand-in-hand, the strongest woods are also the most difficult to work and require the sharpest tools. Such dense woods are also less forgiving if the joinery is carelessly done.

All woods have grain, a term that describes the direction of longitudinal cells in a board. Relative cell size, which determines whether a wood needs a filler before finishing is called texture. The attractive patterns of various boards, called figure, are caused by a deviation from the tree's normal growth.

Freshly sawn wood has a high moisture content and should be seasoned, or dried, before working. Lumber yards usually sell kiln-dried wood with a moisture content between 6 and 18 percent. Wood that has less than 10 percent moisture content is recommended for furniture-making. The range above 10 percent is suitable for structural uses.

After seasoning, wood continues to shrink during dry spells and swell with humidity. The tendency is critical to the woodworker because it can cause warped boards, loose joints or swollen-shut drawers. To combat this movement, you can choose a wood with strong stability. Some very stable woods are ash, basswood, incense cedar, mahogany, white pine, redwood, rosewood, teak and walnut.

Woods with good stability include beech, butternut, black cherry, hickory, red oak and poplar. Yellow birch and sugar maple are considered fairly stable.

The easiest woods to work are basswood, butternut, black cherry, mahogany, red oak, white pine, poplar, redwood, teak and walnut. However, red oak can splinter, redwood has a tendency to split and crack when nailed and teak is hard to glue.

Wood dries more quickly along the grain than across it. The resulting uneven moisture loss causes cracks, called checks, on board ends. Wood also distorts when it shrinks or swells unevenly. The stress produced in the fibers causes deviations — such as cupping, bowing or twisting — from the board's flatness.

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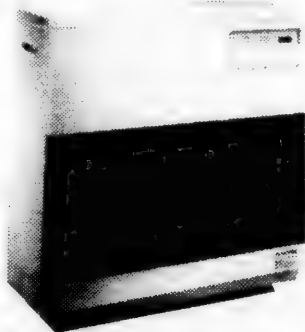
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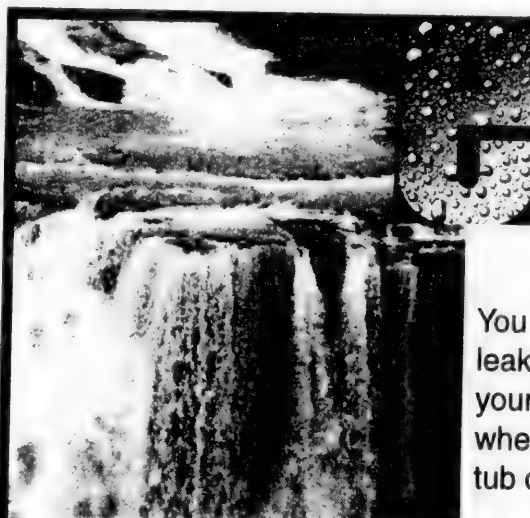
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## Anatomy of wood ...

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Wood comes in various grades. In hardwood, "first and seconds" (FAS) boards are about 85 percent defect-

free. For softwood projects, choose grades A and B for fine finishing and C and D for painting.

Most hardwood is sold by the board foot, a unit 1 foot long, 1 foot wide, and 1 inch thick (144 cubic inches). Softwoods are often sold by the running or linear foot, which refers to the board's length.

Dimensional lumber (2-by-4s, 2-by-6s) is sold in its nominal size, the dimension before sawing or planing takes place, or in its smaller actual size, the size after surfacing. Softwood sold in dimensional sizes loses one-half-inch in each dimension. Hardwood loses about one-quarter-inch in thickness.



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such as medical issues.

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You may also wish to consider visiting a dealer's facility to determine capabilities before making a decision. At Climate Design Systems, for instance, a visitor would note an in-house sheet metal shop, enabling custom fabrication of ductwork; and crews composed of installers, sheet metal fabricators, plumbers, pipefitters, electricians and service technicians. The more services a dealer can provide in-house, the more options become available for your home.

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## Pumps should be checked every spring

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where the water flows in. Make sure this area is not plugged or clogged.

If you're in an area often affected by power outages, especially during severe thunderstorms, a battery-powered backup sump pump may be a good idea, says the PHCIB. This kind of pump will kick on if the primary pump shuts down or fails. When power is restored, the battery-operated pump stops. Some models automatically recharge themselves.

"Although you'll have to spend some extra money for another unit and maybe

a larger pit, it's definitely worth it," says David Rutz of Goulds Pumps, Inc. "Many people use their basements for storage, so every precaution should be taken to protect their valuables from water damage. Consider it an insurance policy."

Another safeguard suggested by the bureau is a sump pump alarm. It's designed to detect sump water levels before flooding occurs and emits a high-decibel alarm before the water can reach your basement floor. This can tip you off that the pump isn't working properly. Alarms can be either electrical or battery-operated.

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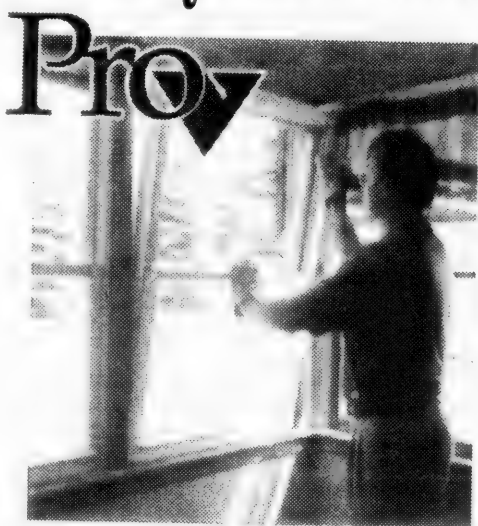
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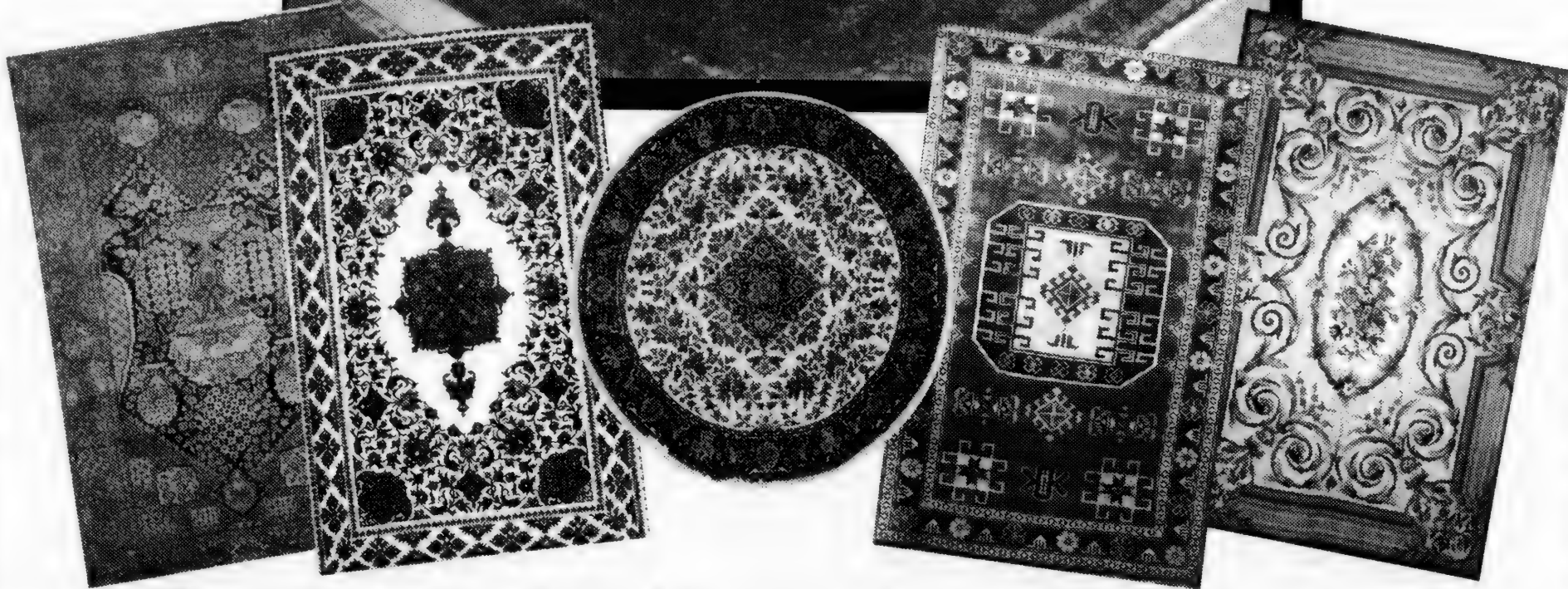
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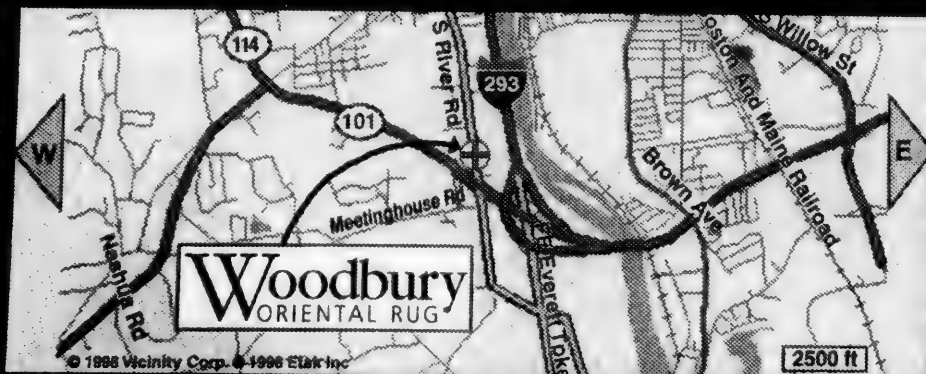
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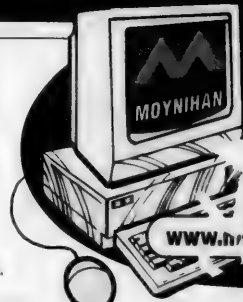
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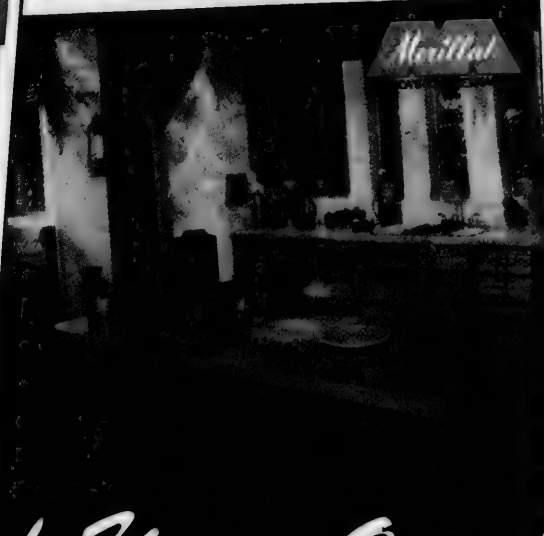
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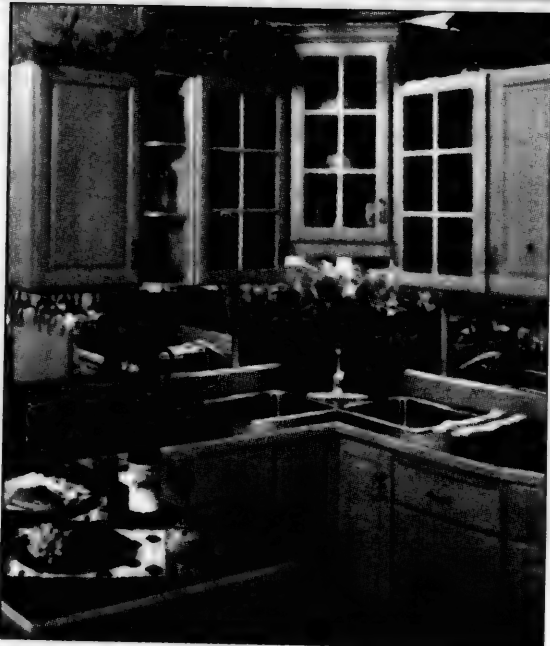


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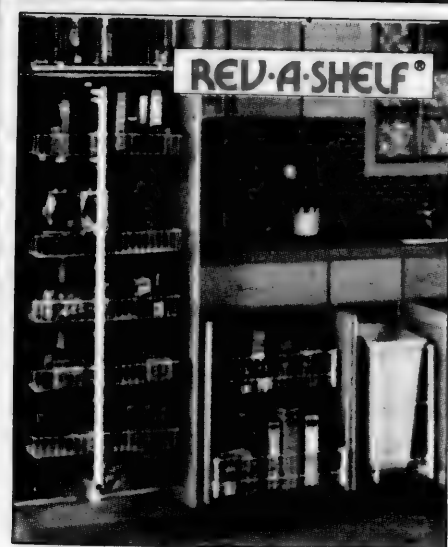
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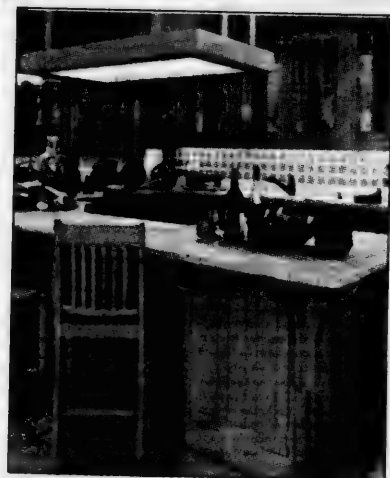
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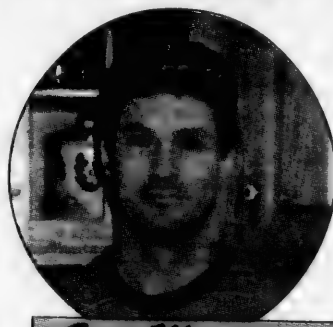
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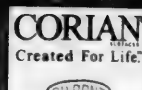


**BRAMMER**

**CABI**



**CROWNPOINT CABINETRY**



**SWANSTONE**





Project 545

COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!

## Mustang Rustler

WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

**445<sup>00</sup>**

Project 545 includes the Mustang Kit (NE4414),  
Side Winder Slide, Play Handles & 3-in-1 Glider!

Minimum Use Area Needed ..... 20' x 30'  
Set Dimensions: ..... 16'W x 19' L x 8'H  
Estimated Building Time ..... 6-8 Hours

# IT'S PLAY Swing

The World Leader in Wood

## The Twin Towers Dynasty

Project 515

COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!



WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

**1295<sup>00</sup>**

Includes the Twin Towers Kit  
(NE4408), Turbo Tube Slide, Tower  
Tunnel and Fireman's Pole!

Min. Use Area ..... 25' x 31'  
Dimensions: ..... 13'W x 19' L x 13'H  
Estimated  
Building Time ..... 12-16 Hours

## Star Tower Odyssey

Project 560

WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

**690<sup>00</sup>**



COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!

Includes Star Tower  
Kit (NE4431),  
Sidewinder Slide,  
Play Handles  
& Fireman's Pole!

Min. Use Area  
25' x 31'  
Dimensions:  
12'W x 18'L x 12'H  
Est. Building Time  
8-12 Hours

## Customize!

OVER **70**



Belted Swing Seat

**12<sup>99</sup>**  
(NE4460-1)



Iron Man Rings

**8<sup>95</sup>**  
(NE4462-1)



3-In-1 Glider

**66<sup>00</sup>**  
(NE4603)



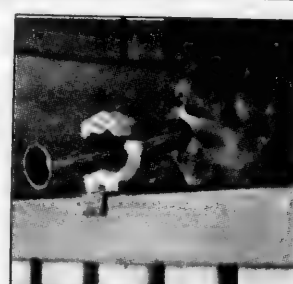
Poly Swing Seat

**20<sup>00</sup>**  
(NE4604)



Poly Ring/Trapeze

**18<sup>95</sup>**  
(NE4606)



Telescope

**19<sup>95</sup>**  
(NE4607)

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Kit, Slide & Accessories + L

How Do I Bu

- 1 Pick** of selections in your wood type.
- 2 Price** the lumber desk desired type of
- 3 Purc** and lumber & na

How Do I Bu

- 1 Read** yourself with the plan.
- 2 Meas** wood as indicat
- 3 Build** new your play sys

OR..Go to the Con  
Desk for Informa  
LOCAL INSTALL

## Scotts 4-Step Annual Program

Complete Lawn Care at its easiest!

4 Seasonal formulas provide 1 year of total lawn care.

5,000 Sq. Ft.  
Coverage  
(75079-82)

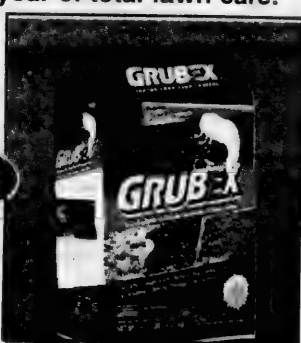
**49<sup>99</sup>**

Grubex®  
Grub Control

5,000 Sq. Ft.  
Coverage  
(7036940)

**19<sup>99</sup>**

Provides 98% grub control in a single application. Protects all season!



## Grass Seed

3 Lb. Box

Your  
Choice **5<sup>77</sup>**

Sun/Shade  
Grass Seed (71389)  
PlaTuff  
Grass Seed (74262)





# PLAY TIME!

## N-Slide®

Wooden Outdoor Play Systems

BE SURE  
UP!

### PROJECTS!

AVAILABLE IN:  
Kodiak® or  
Lumber!  
SHOWN INCLUDE  
DELIVERY!

### A Project?



Complete Project!

### Buy a Project?

a design from the wide variety  
the Project Planner®. Choose

Take the project number to  
for material list & price for your  
wood.

Phase the Slide, kit  
nails. Take it home to install!

### Build a Project?

the plans & familiarize  
the fully illustrated, easy-to-follow

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## Competitor

WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

650<sup>00</sup>

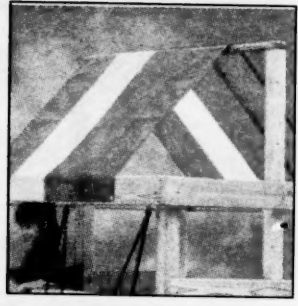
Project 540 includes the Mustang Kit  
(NE4438), Side Winder Slide, Play Handles,  
Helicopter Swing & Merry-Go-Round!

Minimum Use Area Needed ..... 20' x 30'  
Set Dimensions: ..... 8'W x 20' L x 11'H  
Estimated Building Time ..... 6-8 Hours

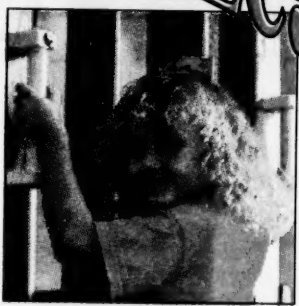


COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!

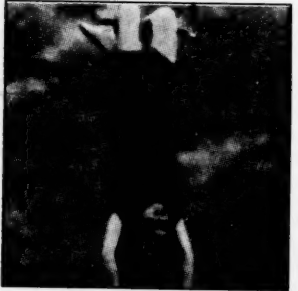
## Customize!



Replacement Tarp  
**17<sup>95</sup>**  
(NE4403)



Play Handles  
**9<sup>95</sup>**  
(NE4410)



Trapeze Bar  
**8<sup>50</sup>**  
(NE4487-1)



Ring/Trapeze Combo  
**13<sup>25</sup>**  
(NE4488)



EZ Ryder  
**64<sup>00</sup>**  
(NE4490)



Child Swing  
**17<sup>80</sup>**  
(NE4491)

## Sky Fort Skyscraper

Project 400

WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

1045<sup>00</sup>

COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!



Includes Sky  
Fort Kit  
(NE4437),  
Turbo Tube Slide  
& Merry-Go-  
Round!

Minimum Use Area Needed ..... 25' x 32'  
Set Dimensions: ..... 13'W x 20' L x 12'H  
Estimated Building Time ..... 12-16 Hours

## Scout Westpoint



Project 135

COMPLETE  
AS SHOWN!

WITH Pressure  
Treated Lumber

145<sup>00</sup>

Includes the Scout Kit (NE4422)!  
Min. Use Area ..... 20' x 24'  
Dimensions: ..... 8'W x 12' L x 8'H  
Estimated  
Building Time ..... 4-6 Hours

### Oscillating Sprinkler



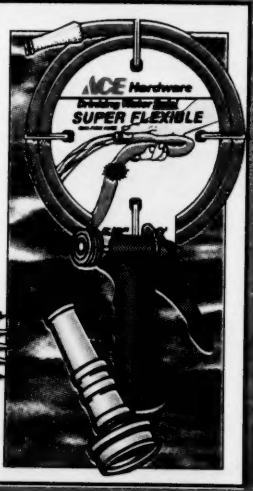
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This!  
**4<sup>99</sup>**  
(70662)

### ACE SUPER FLEX

Kink-Free  
Hose 5/8" x 50'  
**15<sup>44</sup>**  
(75400)  
Nozzles

Your  
Choice **3<sup>77</sup>**

Insulated Pistol Grip (76943)  
Brass Twist Nozzle (74949)

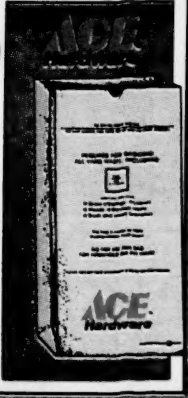


### Paper Yard Waste Bags

Pkg. of 5  
**1<sup>99</sup>**

2-ply  
recyclable  
bags.  
30 gal.,  
50-lb. wet  
strength.

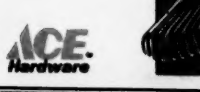
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### FIBERGLASS HANDLE Yard Tools

Your Choice  
**10<sup>97</sup>**

Rnd. Point Shovel  
(7011273)  
Spring Yard Rake  
(7012867)







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## Tilt Wash Double Hung Windows



White Perma-Shield  
Model TW2432W  
R.O. 2'6-1/8" x 3'5-1/4"

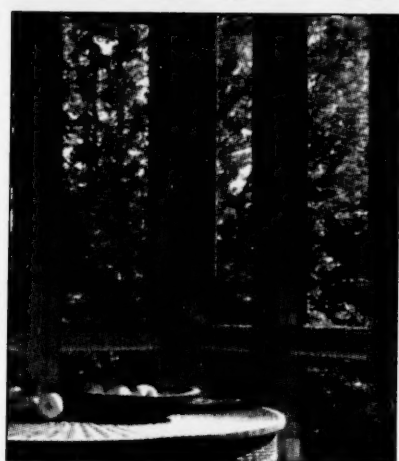
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- Screens included
- 4-9/16" Jamb
- Grilles extra

Vinyl  
Coated  
For Marine  
Climates!

### White Perma-Shield Tilt Wash Units

| Model    | Rough Opening        | SALE                    |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| TW2846W  | 2'10-1/8" x 4'9-1/4" | <b>244<sup>40</sup></b> |
| TW2842W  | 2'10-1/8" x 4'5-1/4" | <b>235<sup>95</sup></b> |
| TW30310W | 3'2-1/8" x 4'0-1/4"  | <b>237<sup>90</sup></b> |



## New Casement Windows



New design offers wider windows,  
easier operation, & a choice of two  
colors of window hardware!

White Perma-Shield  
Model C13  
R.O. 2'0-5/8" x 3'0-1/2"

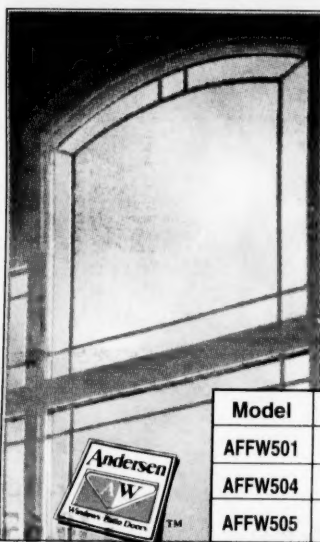
**173<sup>03</sup>**

- High Performance Insulated Glass
- Screens included
- 4-9/16" jambs
- Grilles extra

### New Improved Casement Windows

| Model | Rough Opening       | SALE                    |
|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| CW145 | 2'4-7/8" x 4'5-3/8" | <b>251<sup>35</sup></b> |
| C14   | 2'0-5/8" x 4'0-1/2" | <b>205<sup>53</sup></b> |
| CN25  | 3'5-1/4" x 5'0-3/8" | <b>446<sup>49</sup></b> |

## Arch Windows



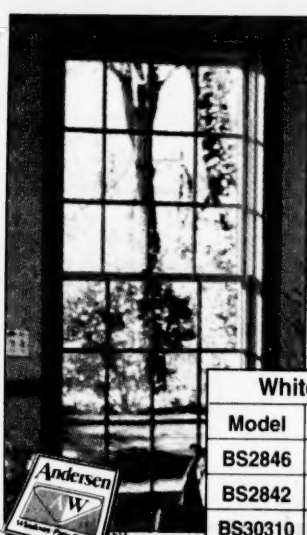
Model AFC15  
R.O. 2'1"x5'0"

**598<sup>65</sup>**

- White, Sand or Terratone Color
- 4-9/16" jambs
- Grilles extra
- Over 100 sizes to choose from
- Allow 4-5 wks delivery
- Casing extra

| Model   | Rough Opening | SALE                     |
|---------|---------------|--------------------------|
| AFFW501 | 5'0" x 1'8"   | <b>601<sup>25</sup></b>  |
| AFFW504 | 5'0" x 4'0"   | <b>926<sup>90</sup></b>  |
| AFFW505 | 5'0" x 5'0"   | <b>1030<sup>25</sup></b> |

## Builders Select Double Hung



### Double Hung Windows

Andersen Quality & Warranty at Reduced Prices!

- Prefinished White Interior • 4-9/16" Jamb
- Andersen Screens
- Regular Insulated Glass
- Grilles extra

### White Builders Select Units

| Model   | Rough Opening        | SALE                    |
|---------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| BS2846  | 2'10-1/8" x 4'9-1/4" | <b>174<sup>23</sup></b> |
| BS2842  | 2'10-1/8" x 4'5-1/4" | <b>166<sup>92</sup></b> |
| BS30310 | 3'2-1/8" x 4'0-1/4"  | <b>168<sup>91</sup></b> |

## Gliding Windows



Come Home to  
Quality...  
Andersen®

Grade 60  
The BEST  
Glider  
on the  
Market!

Model G44  
R.O. 4'0" x 4'0"  
• 4-5/8" jambs

**598<sup>65</sup>**

## Perma-Shield Casement Bow Units

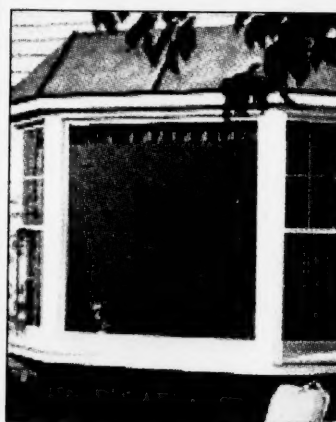


White with High Performance Ins. Glass  
• Includes Andersen Screens - Grilles extra.  
• 4-9/16" jamb-comes with Cable System

| Model | Rough Opening        | SALE                     |
|-------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| C34   | 6'1-5/8" x 4'2"      | <b>809<sup>31</sup></b>  |
| C44   | 8'1-1/4" x 4'2"      | <b>1067<sup>23</sup></b> |
| C55   | 10'0-1/4" x 5'1-7/8" | <b>1577<sup>23</sup></b> |

Standard Vent Layout. Roof extra.

## Double-Hung Angle Bay Units



- TILT WASH
- High Performance Insulated Glass
- White Perma-Shield Ext. - Grilles Extra • Includes Andersen Screens • 4-9/16" jambs • With Cable System • Head & Seat Boards included. Roof extra

| Model           | Rough Opening       | SALE                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| TW45-DHP3442-18 | 6'7-3/8" x 4'6-3/4" | <b>1167<sup>14</sup></b> |
| TW45-DHP4242-18 | 7'5-1/8" x 4'6-3/4" | <b>1205<sup>17</sup></b> |
| TW30-DHP4246-18 | 7'10" x 4'10-3/4"   | <b>1233<sup>12</sup></b> |

# WE MEASURE UP IN ROOF WINDOWS, TOO!

## Roto Roof Windows



WITH  
Screen  
&  
Flashing!

| SIZE           | MODEL | Fixed                   | Venting                 |
|----------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 30" x 39-5/16" | 14    | <b>248<sup>20</sup></b> | <b>323<sup>85</sup></b> |
| 22" x 47-1/4"  | 13    | <b>238<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>303<sup>45</sup></b> |

• Low E Glass • Other sizes also available



## Roof Windows & Skylights



**FS Fixed:** Low-E double pane insulated glass. Quality construction. Includes EDL flashing

**VS Venting:** Low-E double pane insulated glass. Includes screen and EDL flashing. Scissor operation for easy opening and closing.

| SIZE              | MODEL | FS                      | VS                      |
|-------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 31-1/8" x 39"     | 304   | <b>220<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>354<sup>00</sup></b> |
| 31-1/8" x 55-1/2" | 308   | <b>269<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>411<sup>00</sup></b> |
| 45-1/4" x 47"     | 606   | <b>311<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>456<sup>00</sup></b> |
| 22" x 39"         | 104   | <b>187<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>314<sup>00</sup></b> |
| 22" x 47"         | 106   | <b>208<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>340<sup>00</sup></b> |
| 22" x 55-1/2"     | 108   | <b>229<sup>00</sup></b> | <b>369<sup>00</sup></b> |

New Revised  
Design!







# MOYNIHAN LUMBER MEASURES UP... IN DOORS AND WINDOWS!

## Vinyl Replacement Windows

**Silver LINE** 

White Vinyl Tilt-In  
Replacement  
Windows  
Series 4000

**135<sup>00</sup>** each

- Not Installed
- 7/8" insulated glass
- 1/2 Screen
- Up to 101 united inches
- Grilles not included
- Allow 2 weeks for delivery



**Installation  
Available!**

## New Construction Windows

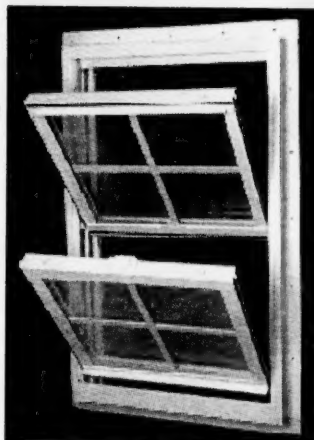
**Silver LINE** 

White Vinyl  
Tilt-In Series 1000

**129<sup>64</sup>**

Model SL28310  
R.O. 34-1/4" x 49-1/4"

- 7/8" insulated glass
- Double weather-stripping • Positive action cam-lock & night latches • Full screen included • With Nail Fin
- Grilles between glass
- Other Sizes In-stock



Allow 2 Weeks For Delivery



## Double Hung Windows

**TILT-IN Windows at  
AFFORDABLE Prices!**

Model 2452  
R.O. 2'6-1/2" x 3'5-5/8"

**138<sup>35</sup>**

Model 28310  
R.O. 2'10-1/2" x 4'1-5/8".....

Model 2846  
R.O. 2'10-1/2" x 4'9-5/8".....

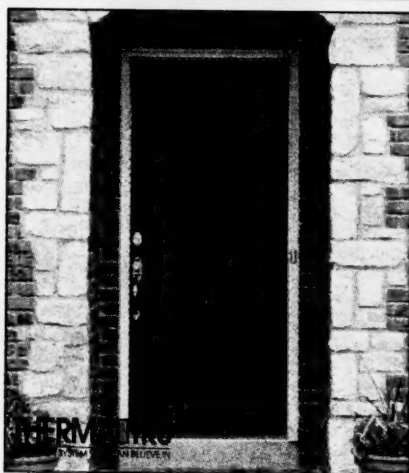
- 125<sup>25</sup>
- 136<sup>55</sup>
- Primed wood units with 5/8" ins. glass, 4-9/16" jambs. Tilt sash. Completely weather-stripped. Full screens. Flat or Brickmould casing.
- Grilles extra.



**Built-In  
CLEAR Interior  
Stop**

**Assembled in  
OUR SHOP!**

## Steel Entry Doors



Construction Series  
Model C210 6-Panel  
2/8 or 3/0 x 6/8

**117<sup>00</sup>**

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**139.00**

Premium Series P255 Fan Lite  
3/0 x 6/8.....

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- 4-9/16" jamb
- 908 casing • Insulated glass • Alum. sill with adjustable oak insert • Allow 3-5 days

**5-Year warranty on all 3-Doors!**

## Fiber-Classic Stainable Doors



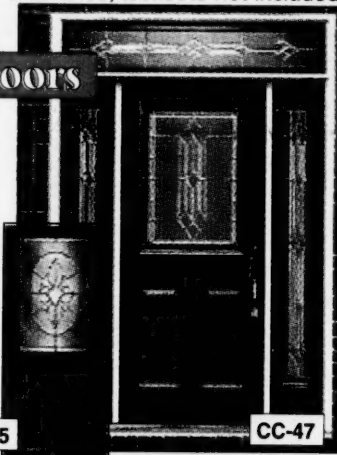
Model FC45  
Entry Door  
3/0 x 6/8

**720<sup>00</sup>**

- Zinc Carring
- 4-5/8" primed jamb
- Security latch
- 908 primed casing
- Insulated glass
- Adjustable sill
- Fully weatherstripped
- Side Lites, locksets not included

**Stain  
Kits 24<sup>00</sup>**

## Fiber-Classic ClassicCraft Doors



CC45 or CC47  
Stainable Doors  
3/0 x 6/8

**1393<sup>00</sup>** each

**YOUR  
CHOICE**

Elegant styling with the highest quality  
appearance & efficiency features:

- Architecturally correct
- Insulated Glass
- 4-5/8" oak jamb
- Adjustable sill
- Oak 908 casing
- Fully weatherstripped
- Brass casing

• Side Lites, locksets not included

CC-45

CC-47

## Dixie Pacific Wood Columns



Round Wood Columns - Complete with Poly Caps & Bases.

|                        |                     |        |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| 6"x8" Plain            | 8"x8" Plain .....   | 113.25 |
| <b>92<sup>41</sup></b> | 8"x10" Plain .....  | 134.63 |
|                        | 8"x 8' Fluted ..... | 130.65 |

## Exterior Vinyl Shutters



ShutterCraft®  
Open Louver  
White or Black  
15" x 35"

**17<sup>82</sup>** Pair

|               |       |                          |       |
|---------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| 15"x39" ..... | 18.94 | 15"x55" .....            | 24.57 |
| 15"x43" ..... | 20.55 | 15"x59" .....            | 26.63 |
| 15"x47" ..... | 22.13 | 15"x63" .....            | 28.57 |
| 15"x51" ..... | 23.37 | Allow 2-3 days delivery! |       |

## Porch Posts



Porch  
Post

**69<sup>00</sup>**

Lamp Post  
5"x5"x8' .....

**72.00**

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- Weatherproof, insect proof.
- Low maintenance - won't rot.
- Shipped white, ready to install.
- 20 Gauge steel reinforcing tube foamed in place inside - 1300 lbs. load bearing capacity.
- Lamp post accommodates most outdoor lamp fixtures.

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**READY TO INSTALL  
...WITH SCREEN!**



**America's  
FAVORITE  
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Storm  
Doors!**

A) #293  
1/2 View w/Panel  
**129<sup>00</sup>**

5 Year Warranty

B) #271TT  
3/4 View with Panel ..... **167<sup>00</sup>**

LIFETIME PLUS™ Warranty!

C) #224FL  
Full View ..... **219<sup>00</sup>**

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All Doors are White

Replace your old drafty storm  
door with one that will **LAST!**

## Wood Storm Doors



Classic Model

**197<sup>68</sup>**

UltraVu ..... 202.23

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All Doors 3/0 x 6/9

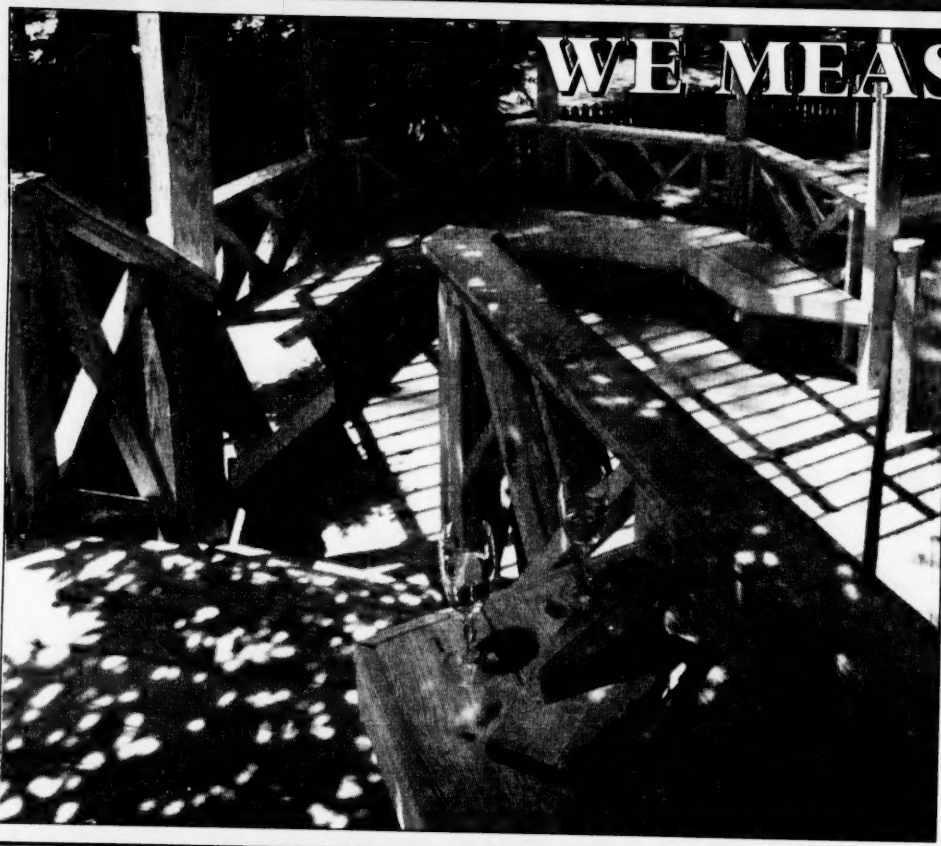
Deluxe Hardware Kit ..... **36.89** each

- Doors come unfinished, ready to paint or stain
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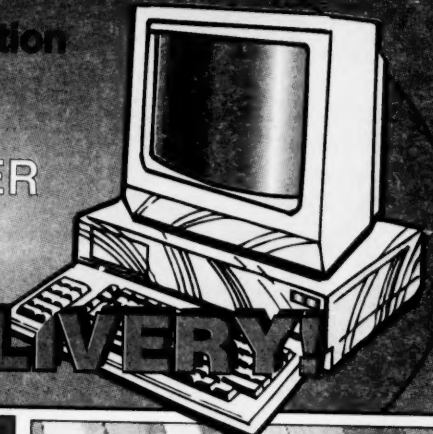
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### Cambara Decking

1" x 4" - ALL HEARTWOOD

8' and 10'  
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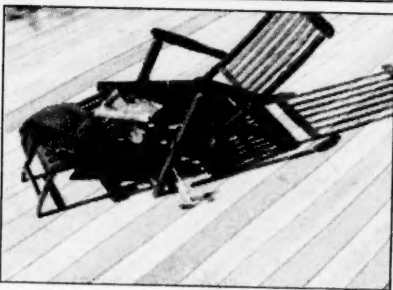


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5/4" x 6" **1.25** 8' - 16' lengths  
lin. ft.

Won't check, split or rot. No sealers needed!  
No UV or insect damage. Splinter-free!

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Western Red Cedar  
Architectural Knotty  
5/4" x 6"  
8' - 20'  
lengths

**1.09**

lin. ft.

(Stocked in N. Reading)

### Kodiak Decking

Safe for kids, pets  
and the environment!



**KODIAK**  
New  
"Treated"  
Lumber!

Just as durable as CCA treated lumber  
when it comes to resisting termite & decay  
but with a natural brown color.

Now In-Stock in Beverly:  
Rails, Posts, Caps and Decking!

### UltraWood Decking



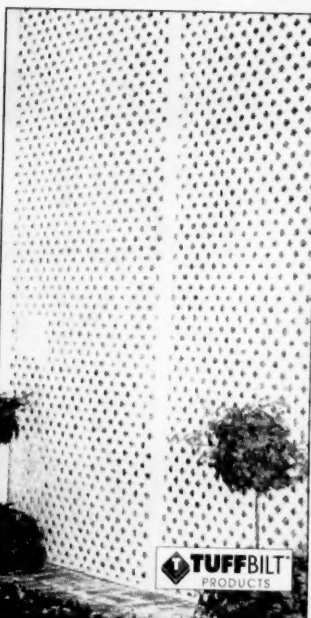
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REPELLENT Southern Pine

5/4" x 6" x 8' **6.99** each

10' ..... **7.99** 14' ..... **10.39**  
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Helps prevent weathering & warping!

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1" x 4"

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Lengths

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8' to 11' ..... **84¢** l.f.

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Sq. Edge or T&G



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2" x 2" Contemporary Style

| SIZE/<br>TYPE | CCA<br>P.T. | Redwood<br>(Beverly) | Cedar       |
|---------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| 36"           | <b>79¢</b>  | <b>1.95</b>          | <b>1.29</b> |
| 42"           | <b>89¢</b>  |                      | <b>1.59</b> |
| 48"           | <b>99¢</b>  |                      |             |



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10" Diam. .... **79¢**

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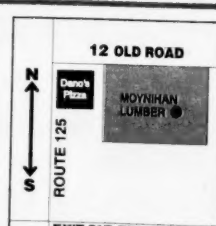
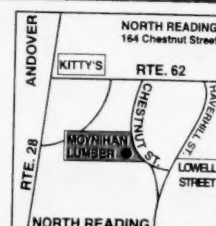
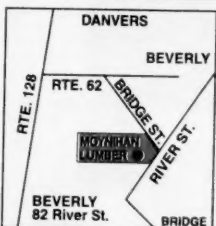
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